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Emotional Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal after the match | AP

Love all, Fedal... A picture peRFect ending

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THE 'frame' — both poignant and moving — can be preserved for eternity. Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal sitting next to each other crying, almost inconsolable. Federer's last match (as a professional) has just ended but the beautiful symphony of their friendship rose to a crescendo. Greatest of rivals on court were fighting tears and even holding hands — a reflection of the immense love and respect they share. Words fail to describe that beautiful moment. Perhaps, it's sensible to absorb, relish and tuck it into the most-desirable chambers of your memory. They may appear together on court, they may sit next to each other too but the emotion the two evoked on Friday night will never be the same again. The frame will always remind generations of a rivalry that was fierce but it was also built on respect and love for the other's craft.

Like all sportspersons, Federer's retirement was inevitable. It was poetic that it ended with Nadal by his side. The applause at the O2 arena in London reverberated throughout the world. Whether a fan or not, drops of tears escaped unknowingly. It was not exactly a fairytale finish as Europe's Federer and Nadal, 42 Grand Slams between them, lost to Team World's Frances Tiafoe and Jack Sock 4-6, 7-6, 9-11 (match tie-break). In these emotional matches, results are a side show. Federer, the protagonist, strode the court like a king. He hugged his teammates, World team-members and later, his family. And, of course, he was emotional. "We'll get through this somehow," he said emotionally during the post-match interview. "I'm happy, I'm not sad. It feels great to be here and I enjoyed tying my shoes one more time. Everything was the last time. The match was great, I couldn't be happier."

As Federer walks into sunset, Nadal's words aptly capture the loss to sports and beyond: "When Roger leaves the tour, an important part of my life is leaving too." P13

JHULAN WALKS INTO THE SUNSET

Playing her last international match of an illustrious career, India women's team seamer Jhulan Goswami received a guard of honour when she walked out to bat against England in third ODI on Saturday. She will end her two-decade career as women's highest wicket-taker

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CBI crackdown to disrupt child porn network

59 locations across 20 states, including K'taka, raided under Operation Megh Chakra

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

IN a major crackdown against downloading and circulation of child sexual abuse material (CSAM), the CBI on Saturday carried out country-wide searches at 59 locations across over 20 states including Delhi, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh.

The search operation, dubbed Operation Megh Chakra, was based on two cases the federal investigating agency registered under relevant provisions of the IT Act. Investigations were launched a few days ago following intelligence inputs from the Interpol's Crime Against Children (CAC) unit in Singapore. According to a CBI statement, the CAC received a wide array of inputs from the New Zealand police. It was alleged that Indian citizens were involved in circulating, downloading and transmitting CSAM using cloud storage.

The searches took place in various locations including metros Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru and Chennai. In the South, raids were conducted in Malappuram in Kerala; Cuddalore and Dindigul in Tamil Nadu; Kodagu, Kolar and Ram Nagar in Karnataka; and Chittoor in Andhra.

Interpol to discuss the topic during Delhi meet

According to sources in the Union home ministry, child pornography will be a major point of discussing during the 90th session of the Interpol General Assembly, which makes final decisions for the organization, to be held in Delhi between October 18 and 21

Searches were also conducted in Ghaziabad, Faridabad, Agartala, Guwahati, Itanagar, Goa, Dehradun, Raipur, Ranchi, Jaipur besides Pune, Nashik, Thane and Nagpur (Maharashtra); Godhra (Gujarat); Gurdaspur (Punjab); Bardhman (West Bengal); Bhagalpur (Bihar); and Mandi (Himachal Pradesh), among others.

During the raids, electronic devices including mobile phones, laptops belonging to more than 50 suspects have been recovered. Preliminary scrutiny of these devices using cyber forensic tools has allegedly revealed the presence of huge quantity of CSAM.

Saturday's exercise was a follow-up to Operation Carbon that the CBI conducted last year against Online Child Sexual Abuse Material.

Pandemic is over, but don't let your guard down

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

AFTER two years and 200 days of the Covid-19 pandemic, experts have confirmed that the pandemic in Karnataka is now passe, albeit sounding a caution to not be complacent.

State Covid Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) chairperson, Dr MK Sudarshan, said, "The pandemic situation is behind us. We have reached the pre-pandemic normal situation which prevailed in 2019, as virtually almost everybody is infected. As a result, there is infection immunity. We are are now reasonably resistant to current strains of Omicron variant of Covid-19, as per clinical and epidemiological analyses. This situation will prevail until the next variant of concern (VOC) is discovered and declared by the World Health Organisation."

Over the past few days, Karnataka has witnessed below 400 fresh cases daily.

Dr Sudarshan explained:

"Covid-19 pediatric sero survey conducted among school children aged 6-14 in Karnataka held in June this year had indicated that 75.38 per cent children were infected with covid. Now all activities have resumed as per normalcy. Adults are moving more freely (than children) virtually with poor covid protocols without wearing masks. As Omicron is a highly infectious and transmissible upper respiratory virus (transmittable till the throat), almost everybody has been infected at some time or the other. So, there is infection immunity, which is known for other viruses, and we are now reasonably resistant to the current strains of omicron infection."

He also pointed out that although people are resisting getting tested, more than 20,000 tests are conducted daily, and yet the cases are low. As on Saturday, although 21,130 tests were conducted across the state, only 275 tested positive.

Yet Dr Sudarshan has warned that people need to follow Covid-19 protocols, especially the high-risk segment of the population, who need to wear masks at least in closed places and must avoid crowds.

NO COVID RESTRICTIONS AT MYSURU DASARA

After over two-and-a-half years of the pandemic, while Mysuru district administration is hosting the Mysuru Dasara on a grand scale from September 26, the district administration said they have not sought any Covid guidelines for Dasara from the TAC, as events are in open places

SSLC exams to return to old format, no MCQs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

AS per fresh guidelines issued by the Karnataka government, examinations for Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSLC) are set to revert to pre-pandemic format.

The students will now have to answer essay-type questions and give detailed answers, as against multiple choice questions (MCQs) that were introduced during the pandemic. The decision to reduce the syllabus will also be revoked and students will have to study the entire syllabus. In addition, the revised textbooks, which have caused much controversy during the year, will also be a part of the syllabus taught to students. CONTINUED ON: P7

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State govt to seek public opinion on Kannada Bill

Bengaluru: The state government has decided to seek opinions and suggestions from people for implementation of the Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill. Stressing that there is no urgency in the matter, Kannada and Culture Minister V Sunil Kumar, however, made it clear that the government will not withdraw the Bill. REPORT: P4
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LEFT IN LIMBO

More than 500 parents and students protested in front of Nehru English High School in Shivajinagar, Bengaluru, after the institution was shut abruptly on Saturday. The private school was served a notice on Friday by Revenue Department officials in connection with the IMA Ponzi scam case following directions from a special court. The school's name had figured in connection with the scam | EXPRESS | P3

Ganja raid: Cop battles for life after assault

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI
@ Kalaburagi

THE circle inspector of Kalaburagi (Rural) police station sustained serious injuries and has slipped into a coma after he and his team were attacked by over 40 ganja growers at Taruri village of Umarga taluk in Maharashtra, around 85 km from Kalaburagi.

The victim, **Srimant Illala** (54), and his team of policemen had gone to the village to conduct a raid around 10 pm on Friday when ganja growers attacked them with clubs and sharp weapons. Illala, an ex-serviceman, fired in the air, but could not fend off the attackers. The police officer sustained injuries on his face, chest and stomach. After the attack, the gang escaped.

Personnel from the Maharashtra police and Manthala police station of Basavakalyan taluk, who arrived at the spot, searched for Illala in the dark for over an hour before finding him lying unconscious in a field. They rushed him to United Hospital in Kalaburagi around 5 am on Saturday.

Northeast Range IGP Manish Kharbikar told The New Sunday Express that Home Minister Araga Jnanendra has told officials to airlift Illala to either Bengaluru or Hyderabad for better treatment, if required.

Police sources said that a man, who was arrested on charges of selling ganja recently, had told the police that he purchased the drug from Tarur village of Maharashtra bordering Basavakalyan taluk. CONTINUED ON: P3

Fraudsters create fake Insta account of SP

Belagavi: Cyber fraudsters created a fake Instagram account of Belagavi Superintendent of Police Dr Sanjeev Patil and sent messages to people asking them to make e-payment of Rs 7,500 on a mobile number. Patil, who was Bengaluru West Zone DCP earlier, has blocked the account. P7

Leopard kills man, eats parts of his body in Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

IN one of the rare cases, a man-eating leopard killed a 65-year-old man and consumed parts of his body at the Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS) on Thursday. Forest Department officials have now put up four cages and installed 80 camera traps to trace and catch the man-eater which has vanished into the wild.

Despite efforts by forest officials to stop locals from entering the forest and grazing their cattle, incidents of animals being killed by leopards have been reported. This is the first time that an incident of a leopard killing and eating a man has been reported in the state, forest department officials told The New Sunday Express.

The victim, Govindaiah, entered the Hannur range of the sanctuary with his cattle on Thursday. When he did not return till Friday morning, villagers approached the forest department. During the search, the forest patrolling staff found Govindaiah's body, with his left leg and neck eaten by the leopard. The animal had also consumed some portions of the cattle after killing them. When the forest staff came to the spot, the leopard was still near Govindaiah's body and carcasses of the cattle. It immediately vanished into the thicket.

A forest department staffer prepares a cage to trap the leopard in Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary | EXPRESS

"We don't know what made the leopard eat the man's flesh. Incidents of leopards attacking humans is not new, but eating human flesh is. We are now working towards making entry into the forest more stringent. But there have been incidents in the past, where locals supported by politicians have staged protests and attacked forest staffers. Cages were kept on Saturday at entry and exit points of the area where the incident occurred. Camera traps have been installed all around. Once the leopard is identified, it will be captured," Deputy Conservator of Forests, CWS, Nandeesh L, said. CONTINUED ON: P7

CIVIC BODY RELEASES DOGS INTO FORESTS P7

Social media abuzz with rumours of coup in China

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

SOCIAL media was abuzz on Saturday with rumours that China's People's Liberation Army (PLA) has staged a coup and President Xi Jingping has been placed under house arrest.

A video claiming to show tanks moving towards Beijing went viral on Twitter. Jennifer Zeng, who posted the video, claimed that the convoy of tanks is 80 km long.

"PLA military vehicles heading to Beijing on September 22nd. Starting from Huanlai County near Beijing and ending in Zhangjiakou City, Hebei Province, entire procession as long as 80 kms. Meanwhile, rumour has it that Xi Jingping is under arrest after CCP seniors removed him as head of PLA," Zeng tweeted along with the video. Adding fuel to the rumour was the cancellation of about 60% of Chinese domestic flights on Saturday.

The coup rumours come days after China's former Justice Minister and a top public security official, Fu Zhenghua, who was reportedly heading a "political clique" against Xi was sentenced to death with a two-year reprieve for corruption.

Meanwhile, Chinese officials have rubbished the rumours and termed them absurd.

China expert Gordon G Chang tweeted dismissing the coup rumours.

COVID HORROR IN CHAMARAJANAGAR

Movie to expose lapses in oxygen tragedy which claimed 36 lives

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

THE oxygen tragedy, which claimed the lives of 36 patients in a Chamarajanagar Hospital during the second wave of Covid pandemic in 2021, is set to hit the big screen soon. Ajay Kumar, a young filmmaker, is producing and directing the movie that seeks to bring the tragedy alive on the silver screen. The film is expected to throw light on the lapses of the government and bureacracy, besides agony of the families of the victims.

The cinema crew that has already shot more than 70 per cent of the movie in the Chamrajanagar hospital, closely interacted with victims' families. They have decided to extend a helping hand to these families by sharing a part of the box office collection from the movie.

Ajay Kumar, who has named the film 'Lockdown', said, "I was in tears when I came to know that newly married nurse Rani, who fed her husband in the hospital at 9 pm, received a video call from him saying he was feeling uneasy as his oxygen level was dropping. Soon, his mobile was allegedly snatched and switched off by the hospital staff, who feared that the patients would inform their families about the shortage of oxygen." When Rani rushed there, she could not find her husband. But she was informed about her husband's demise at 5 am, he added.

"There are too many emotional issues and many of the families are shattered and have nothing to fall back on. Hence, we have decided to share 30 per cent of the film's profit to help the 36 families", he added.

The promo of 'Lockdown' is already catching eyeballs. It features Congress leader Siddaramaiah saying that the tragedy could have been avoided if oxygen was supplied on time.

Ajay Kumar has earlier directed a children's movie 'Belakina Nadege'. "I am reaching out to journalists who covered the tragedy, besides doing my research to incorporate different perspectives on the tragedy."

Director Ajay Kumar, along with his crew and villagers, during the shooting of 'Lockdown'

ALMANAC TODAY
Sunday: 25/09/2022 • Year: Shubhakruta • Ayana: Dakshinayana • Ritu: Varsha • Masa: Bhadrapada • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Amavasya 2.50 am • Nakshatra: Uttharaphalguni (Whole day) • Moon in Kataka Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00pm • Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 19°C | MAX 29°C
FORECAST: Showers late. Broken clouds

Sunrise 6.08 am | Sunset 6.13 pm | Moonrise 5.31 am | Moonset 6.03 pm

The team of students along with their guide, Assistant Professor Girijamba D L

WALKING SMART AND SAFE

Students of a Mysuru college have come up with an automated cane with sensors for the visually impaired

KARTHIK K K @ Mysuru

MOVED by the plight of visually impaired individuals who struggle with potholes and obstacles on roads, four engineering students from Mysuru have devised an automated walking stick for them. The low-cost, reliable, portable, low power consuming stick gives a robust solution for navigating obstacles, which boosts their confidence when they step out of the comfort of their home.

With an aim to help visually impaired individuals navigate swiftly, identify potholes and obstacles in crowded places, four students of Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE) in Mysuru devised the automated cane with a short response time.

Smrithi Baliga and classmates Sapna H M, Shreyas N and Yogesh Gowda, who are pursuing electronics and communication engineering, came up with the device which uses ultrasonic sensors as the main feature. The stick is based on Internet of Things (IoT) with an obstacle and pothole detection system using sensors.

The ultrasonic sensor transmits a sound pulse at high frequency, and then measures the period to obtain the sound echo signal to mirror back. Existing smart blind sticks have obstacle and pothole detection, using ultrasonic sensor and digital image processing respectively, leading to a problem of delay. The stick devised by the students uses ultrasonic sensors for both obstacle detection and pothole detection, ensuring that alerts are timely.

The idea to develop a stick that helps the visually impaired reach their destinations safely, came up after Smriti Baliga, a third-year student who had been a scribe for a visually-challenged student for an exam, was intrigued by the problems they faced, especially while crossing roads.

The project was implemented under the guidance of Dr Chandrashekar M Patil, Professor and Head of Department of ECE, and Girijamba D L, Assistant Professor, Department of ECE at Vidyavardhaka College Of Engineering.

Affordable, easy to use

"During an interaction with my schoolteacher two years ago, we discussed working on a project to help the visually challenged. Concerned for their safety, we had interacted with kids during that time. After my friend Smrithi discussed her concern about the safety of the visually impaired, we came up with an idea of an automated stick for them. We started with our research as soon as two other teammates obliged," said Sapna.

As we researched for the project, we realised the stick must be made affordable for all, considering financial constraints. During our exploration of the possible methods, we found that although image processing could be used, there were cost constraints and delay in detection, so we decided to deploy ultrasonic sensors for obstacle and pothole detection. It was approved by our team and guide, she added.

"The stick is cost-effective and suitable for people of all age groups, and is also lightweight," said Smrithi. "We were determined to implement this project as our personal interest, in case this was not possible under an academic setting. Fortunately, our project guides and college approved the project after we presented the idea. The project was completed in three phases over a span of four months. Presentation of the synopsis and cost estimation took us one month. For the next one-and-half months, we did the coding, mounting and threshold checks on the stick. We took another one-and-half months to work on the model."

Shreyas N, who did the coding, said, "I used Arduino IDE, with the threshold values provided by my friends. We are planning to improvise voice outputs of the stick, and also make the stick more accessible to children aged below 18 years, by making the length of the stick adjustable."

According to Yogesh Gowda V, who was in charge of design and implementation, "While referring to research papers relating to the project, we found that the sticks were heavier, which makes them hard to use. We ensured that the stick we designed was lighter and easily portable. I am happy that we were able to achieve what we proposed in the project."

VVCE Principal Sadashivegowda said, "In recent times, technology has helped improve healthcare across the world. Through this project, our students have proved how technology could be used to help the visually challenged. This automated stick helps them move freely with confidence."

Tales in disguise

Hagalu Vesha is back to entertain people with artistes wearing costumes and makeup to play varied characters

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

INNUMERABLE stories that are still alive in our memory were not read but instead heard while resting our heads on the lap of our grandparents. The genre would range from horror to mythology, but the narration would be so captivating that the mind never strayed into the exercise of measuring the factual quotient. Plays like *The Death of a Salesman* and *Mousetrap* have run for generations because such performances are rooted in the capriciousness of life, the entanglement of relationships, and tragedy that hangs like a noose throughout the scenes – all elements of a tedious existence.

And then, you hear the jhanjhan of ghungrus, and suddenly a bhajan fits into the rhythm of harmonium and table, indicating that the Hagalu Vesha is back after a decade. It involves artistes disguising themselves in different characters of the Ramayana and the Mahabharata to entertain people, performing in rural and urban North Karnataka.

However, with mythological plays, they have also prepared some songs to exhort children to stay away from mobile phones and study while warning about the perils to health after the pandemic.

The troupe of 40-50 comprises three to five characters while the others weave in the environment with songs accompanied by harmonium and tabla. The performance and make-up entice people, it is the songs which narrate a story.

These artistes are from Andhra Pradesh, belonging to the Beda Budga Jangam community, but are now settled in North Karnataka and other parts of South India. Although their mother tongue is Telugu, they can communicate in other languages too.

Earlier, when there were no mobile phones to 'stream' or a TV which is 'smart', these artistes were the only source of entertainment for villagers, who would welcome them with grains and food for annual fairs, cultural events, festivals, and plays. There would be a throng of children and women at their performances, sitting in a market or a street corner for 30 minutes to two hours.

Whatever people would offer for their performances, was their sustenance. Zamindars and landlords would give them cows or even a small piece of land.

When other means of entertainment diluted their magic, they turned to jobs like selling plastic items, painting, and agriculture, which gradually rendered the art moribund.

Now, they can be seen performing during protests, and also visit neighbouring states like Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

Mahantesh Kalegar, a member of a team who recently visited Gadag's Abbigeri, said, "We have come from Andhra Pradesh, and now reside in Bagalkot. We had a group of 70 people, who are now engaged in other professions. So, the Hagalu Vesha tradition is vanishing. We have decided to visit some places during Dasara, Deepawali and Sankranti to create awareness on the ills of using mobile phones. Children listen to us with attention as it is new for them. We had some plans two years ago to rejuvenate the tradition of our ancestors, but the pandemic derailed it. Now, we are going to areas in North Karnataka to make people aware of health, cleanliness and the environment. We are urging people to adopt 'digital fasting' or spend a day without a phone, at least once a week. Some have agreed to do it. We also need help from the government for our children who roam the cities and towns."

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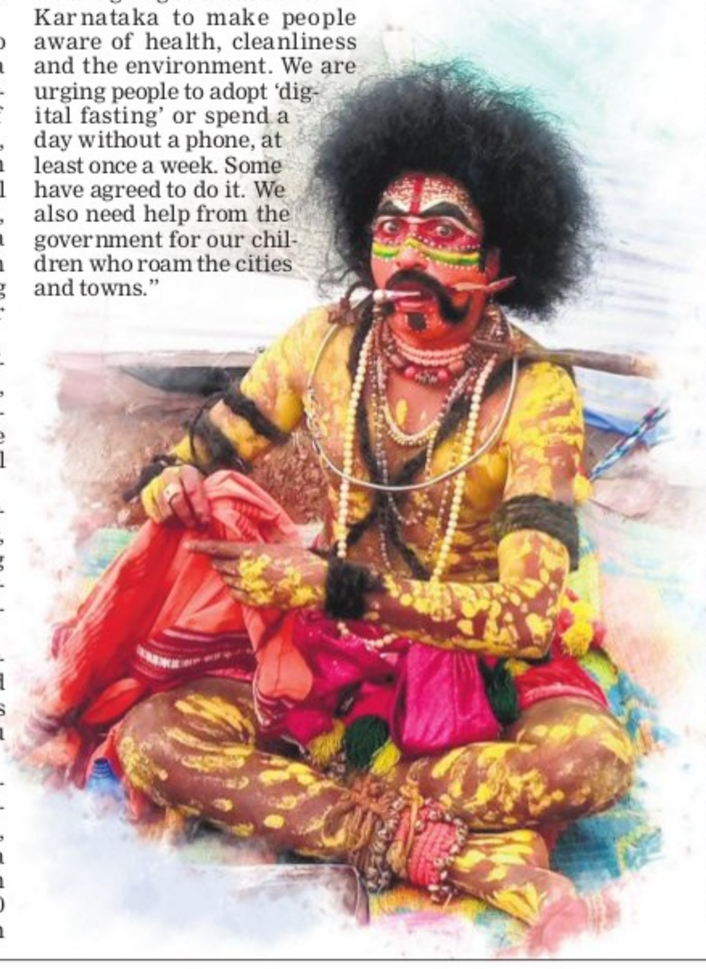
— Mahantesh Kalegar



Toiling from dawn to dusk

Early in the morning, the artistes start visiting various corners of villages, cities, and towns, till it's twilight, and then return to their tents. They do not remove their makeup for 12-14 hours, which has resulted in many of them being afflicted with skin diseases

No demand

While their profession is to perform and entertain people, they never force anybody to pay them in exchange. They prefer the setting to be a big market, so that, if their performance is appreciated, people happily offer them enough. Even when they make door-to-door visits, they narrate stories through songs, and people offer them money or farm produce

Filmi ties

A film by the same name — Hagalu Vesha — starring Shivarajkumar and directed by Baraguru Ramachandrappa was released in 2000. The plot revolves around a man who revolts against the British Raj and their tax policy. In one of the songs, Shivarajkumar performs in a tiger's costume.

VCs CALL FOR OTT PLATFORMS TO DISPLAY HEALTH WARNINGS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

VICE-chancellors of universities across Karnataka have written to Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya requesting him to regulate OTT (Over the Top) platforms like Amazon Prime, Disney Hotstar, Netflix and others to display tobacco warning messages.

They pointed out that there was an exponential growth in OTT usage among youth and urged that these platforms be regulated to protect them from being addicted to tobacco products and get negatively influenced.

Dr MK Ramesh, VC, Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, said they have witnessed an upward trend of people accessing content on OTT platforms. Raising concerns regarding this, he said displaying tobacco warning messages was religiously followed in films and TV programmes, but not in OTT platforms which was negatively influencing young people. He urged for depiction of health warnings, saying that it was their responsibility to prevent young people getting addicted to tobacco.

SJ Chander, Convenor, Consortium for Tobacco Free Karnataka, suggested that the content shown on OTT platforms must be sensitive to the requirements of public health and safety and disclaimers must be provided wherever necessary. Young people should be informed about the ill effects through the warnings, he added. He said India will be a global role model if it mandated OTT platforms to display tobacco warnings and will have a greater impact in preventing young people from experimenting with tobacco products and eventually becoming lifetime addicts.

A teenager's parent, Padma Venu, also said OTT platforms are getting more popular with time. She was concerned about the unregulated tobacco depiction as the younger generation is more prone to experimenting with it. She urged the Union Health Minister to mandate OTT to carry tobacco health warnings.

UNDER THE RAINBOW

As her parents take a break, their daughter keeps a watch over their mobile shop — selling dry fruits from a tempo around the city | VINOD KUMAR T

BMRCL to revamp project trackers

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) is all set to revamp its Project Management System (PMS) as well as its in-house Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System, in a bid to track its projects on a continuous basis. Tenders for the same will be called shortly.

It may be recalled that Chairman of Manipal Global Education T V Mohandas Pai had last month criticised the delay in completion of Namma Metro projects and attributed it to a lack of a proper project management. As far as Metro rail projects are concerned, the city is lagging behind by 10 years, he had stated.

Metro projects have drawn flak from various quarters for missing deadlines for its projects in the past as well as for the ongoing ones.

General Manager (GM), Information Systems, BMRCL, Divya Hosur said, "We have PMS in place now for the execution of a project. We will be expanding our system to the pre-planning as well as planning stages henceforth. A separate dashboard will be launched which will have updates along with time-lines on every project," she said.

"The expenditure for all projects will also be tracked easily," the GM added.

Grading of vendors who carry out numerous projects will also be monitored through a Vendor Management System.

In addition to that, BMRCL will also overhaul its in-house ERP to make it a robust and dynamic one. "It will include all aspects pertaining to the organisation, including Human Resource Management, Financial Management and Information Management, which will facilitate better coordination among all departments. It will also help the administration make better use of its rolling stock and its inventory," Hosur added.

List of shortlisted teachers to be out by next week

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

EDUCATION Minister BC Nagesh said on Saturday that the list of shortlisted (1:2) candidates for the recruitment of 15,000 government primary school teachers will be announced by end of next week.

A final list of these teachers is likely to be announced by October, said Dr Vishal R, commissioner of department of Public Instructions.

There are a total of 40,000 vacancies for teachers in over 48,000 government schools across Karnataka. The shortage is being addressed by recruiting over 32,159 guest teachers including 27,000 of those who are working in government primary schools and 5,159 from government high schools.

The CET held on 21 and 22 May saw 54,342 eligible candidates qualify for recruitment of 15,000 teachers. The process of subject, merit and roster wise selection is underway. Once the candidates are shortlisted, the recruitment process of teachers is expected to be completed by October. The teachers for classes six to eight for four subjects English, Social Science, 'Maths and Science', and Biological Sciences, will be recruited.

Meanwhile, the CET for recruitment of 2,500 high school teachers including 2,200 assistant teachers, 200 physical education teachers, and 100 special teachers (for music, craft) for which the state government has given its approval recently, is likely to be held in February or March 2023, Dr Vishal said.

EXPRESS READ

Restore reservation for Balijas: Ex-min

Bengaluru: Former minister and vice-president, Gokula Education Foundation, MR Seetharam emphasised the need to restore reservation for Balija community. At a programme on Saturday, he said the community had reservation before the 1970s and was stopped in 1994. The time has come to restore it, he said. ENS

DURATION OF PANDEMIC	CASES REPORTED	DEATHS	DISCHARGES
2 YEARS, 200 DAYS	275 ◂ 319	0 | ◂ 2	241 | ◂ 450
	TALLY	POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
		5.88 % | ◂ 5.88 %	0.99% | ◂ 0.99%
TODAY	40,63,427	ACTIVE CASES 3,095	RECOVERY RATE 98.93%
◂ YESTERDAY	◂ 40,63,152	◂ 3,061	◂ 98.93%

B'Urban: 132	C'nagara: 4	Dharwada: 7	Kolara: 4	Shivamogga: 3
B'Rural: 2	Chikkaballapura: 10	Gadag: 0	Koppala: 1	Tumakuru: 1
Bagalakote: 1	Chikkamagaluru: 0	Hassana: 4	Mandya: 1	Udupi: 2
Ballari: 5	Chitradurga: 2	Haveri: 3	Mysuru: 17	Uttara Kannada: 8
Belagavi: 8	D Kannada: 4	Kalaburagi: 3	Raichuru: 0	Vijayapura: 0
Bidar: 0	Davanagere: 0	Kodagu: 36	Ramanagara: 17	Yadagiri: 0

City's first cycle lane faces threat from Metro

Civic authorities remove bollards; cyclists fume; citizens say mobility infra has to be planned scientifically

NAMRATA SINDWANI @ Bengaluru

BENGALURU'S first cycle lane on Outer Ring Road (ORR), started in October 2020, now faces threat in view of the construction of Metro and plan to reduce traffic congestion in the area.

B S Prahalad, BBMP Chief Engineer, said the bollards in the carriage lane were initially removed for constructing a lane for movement of buses and a cycle lane to reduce motorised transport. However, now with the approval for Metro construction in the area being granted faster than expected, the pollards can only be installed again after the Metro work is completed, he added.

For the rest of the cycle lane, Prahalad said, the number of vehicles on the roads witnessed a rise and hence to reduce traffic congestion, bollards on the lane were removed.

Shilpi Sahu, a cycle rider from the area said, "The bus carriage lane and cycle lane were divided by a footpath and

we fail to understand why the bollards were removed from the cycle lane. The footpath is there but the bollards for cycle and bus lanes have been removed".

Sathya Sankaran, Founder, Council for Active Mobility, said, "Permission to remove bus lane bollards only was granted as it was on the main carriage way. In a last one week, all the bollards on the entire 17-km long stretch have been removed".

Sahu said that mobility infrastructure has to be planned scientifically so as to ensure that people can walk, cycle and take public transport. Private vehicles should be the last priority. She slammed the authorities for forcing citizens to compromise on safety aspects until the Metro work is finished and had no plan to protect the cyclists and pedestrians.

Sankaran explained that over the years, a boom was witnessed in cyclists/cycle tours in the city and now removal of bollards raises concerns over safety of cyclists and increases probability of accidents. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) had set up the cycle lane only a year and a half before to promote cycling as a mode of transport.

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Police personnel keep vigil, as parents and students of Nehru School hold a protest in front of the closed institution in Bengaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

'No fudging, HC given pothole data on roads'

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

AMID criticism over allegedly fudging pothole details and informing the court that only 221 potholes are present in BBMP limits, Palike's chief engineer BS Prahlad said that the information was only about major roads, and denied that the authorities tried to fudge or hide any details. Everything is available on Fix My Street app, he said.

From the first week of October, BBMP will take up road asphalting work in 2,500 km stretch covering over 11,000 roads in their limits which will be completed by January under CM's Amruth Nagrothana grant of Rs 6,000 crore, he said. The roads include 191 major, 1,400 arterial and sub-arterial, and 11,400 ward roads.

Speaking to TNSE, Prahlad said,"BBMP was supplying bitumen hot mix only from one plant, and now four private players have been engaged. This will ensure that potholes and bad stretches are repaired soon."

According to the data on the app, there are 24,182 potholes in the Palike limits of which 11,696 were covered, while 4,289 potholes complaints were rejected. Work order has been issued fix 2,563 craters across the city. Approval for fixing 558 potholes is pending.

"1,346 fresh complaints have been added to the dashboard of the app which the Palike is yet to check. There are around 3,000 potholes left to be covered," said Prahlad.

FRAGRANT FEST

A worker puts together an exhibit, as brisk preparations take off for the Dasara Flower Show in Mysuru on Saturday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

CITY EXPERIENCES BRIEF SHOWERS

BENGALURU: Bengaluru on Saturday evening saw cooling showers for a short duration. According to IMD, Bengaluru, the city received 2.4 mm rainfall. The officials said the rain was because of the local convection that had formed due to the rising of temperatures as a part of the break monsoon condition. The officials have forecast cloudy sky and light rainfall over parts of the city for the next 24 hours. **ENS**

HOSTAGE CRISIS

Myanmar kidnap: Govt seeks details on K'taka man

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

STATE government officials will coordinate with the Centre to get details on reports about a person from Karnataka who is among many Indians held hostage by a rebel group in Myanmar.

An official from the Chief Minister's Office said the chief secretary will coordinate with the Union Home Ministry to get the details. Around 500 Indians, including many from Tamil Nadu and Telangana, are said to be held captive by rebels in Myanmar.

Some fraudulent recruitment agencies allegedly cheated the youth by offering them jobs in Thailand. They were forcibly taken to Myanmar and forced to work as cybercriminals.

While most of those held hostage are from Kerala and Tamil Nadu, there are reports that one from Karnataka too has been held captive.

When enquired, the state government was neither aware of the person's identity nor his place in the state.

School shut over IMA case, parents, students protest

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE sudden closure of Nehru English High School at Cleveland Town in Shivajinagar on Saturday sparked commotion with over 500 parents and students protesting in front of the school gates.

The school was shut after the Revenue Department officials investigating the I-Monetary Advisory (IMA) ponzi scam case served a notice to the private school following directions from a special court. The school has been listed as an immovable property in the case.

Since there was no prior intimation about the closure or its involvement in the scam, the angry parents demanded that the school be reopened or transfer certificates be issued as the fees had been paid.

Sources said that a meeting will be convened with parents on Monday to shift the students. Public Instruction Commissioner R Vishal said that no order has been given to the education department to transfer the students.

"A team of police personnel accompanied by Revenue Department officials arrived at the school to avoid any untoward incident. However, the order copy was pasted at the entrance as the principal refused to accept it. The details of the order copy is not known," said an officer of the Bharathinagar police station.

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The special court had ordered that the dues be settled to the claim applicants by provisionally attaching the properties in the IMA case including immovable properties worth around Rs 105 crore.

The teachers have been reportedly appointed by the IMA office-bearers.

D-drive done in Greenwood Regency on holiday

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THE Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) deployed bulldozers in Greenwood Regency on Sarjapur Road to remove encroachments on a government holiday.

BBMP Assistant Executive Engineer Markandaiah said that since only a few metres of slabs, blocking the drain connecting Saulkere lake on Sarjapur Road, were left to be removed, it was done on a fourth Saturday, which is a government holiday.

The civic body officials will now survey areas to identify encroachment on storm water drains. "There was drain encroachment of about 60m in Greenwood Regency, and the developers had covered it with slabs without permission," he said. Residents were perturbed that the debris left after the drive on the 10-acre property might endanger the safety of children.

"Children play here, and one of them might fall in the open drain. The Palike should clear the debris soon, and at least give us permission to cover a part of the drain with metal grills," said a resident.

2 rowdies charged under Goonda Act

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THE North Division police have invoked Goonda Act against two rowdies, including a 28-year-old notorious rowdy sheeter. The two accused have been booked in Mahalakshmi Layout and Peenya police stations, respectively. North Division DCP Vinayak Patil had submitted reports to the Police Commissioner to invoke Goonda Act against the two. Following directions from the Police Commissioner, the two rowdies have been detained under the Goonda Act.

The 28-year-old rowdy, identified as Sampath Rao alias Ashok alias Mathi alias Ashoki, was involved in rowdy activities in Mahalakshmi Layout, Basaweshwaranagar, Nandini Layout, and Rajagopal Nagar. He is a rowdy sheeter in Mahalakshmi Layout police station. He has been active since 2008, when he just 14 years of age. There are 31 cases against him including murder, extortion, attempt to murder, and kidnap, among others. He was arrested in June in a kidnap and illegal confinement case. After coming out of jail, he continued with his criminal ways.

The rowdy sheeter of Peenya police station has been identified as Manjunath alias Koli Manja, 31, a resident of Chennanayakanahalli in Dodda Bidarakallu. He has cases registered against him in Peenya, Soladevanahally, Nandini Layout, Bagalaguntee, Kamakshipalya, Varthur, Puttenahalli, Hennur, KR Puram, MN Halli and other police stations. He is active since 2017 and has nearly 32 cases registered against him.

Racially abused by American co-passenger on flight from B'luru: Flyer

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

A flyer from Bengaluru to New Delhi on a Vistara flight on Friday evening expressed his displeasure over an American co-passenger subjecting him to racism and humiliation. "Facing racism within India is a first for me," he said and charged Vistara crew with complete inaction after he complained to them before the flight departed at 6.40 pm.

Divyendu Shekhar, a Delhi-based financial professional and a frequent flyer, told *The New Sunday Express*, "It was an unfortunate incident. Vistara could have taken action against the individual right at the beginning before our trip when I repeatedly alerted them of his abusive behaviour. The American also kept abusing an autistic child seated to our left during our trip."

In a series of tweets, 38-year-old Shekhar said the issue began right at the aerobridge when flyers were queuing up to enter. "An American gentleman (don't know his name) but around 28-29 years old in black Ts and black shorts was trying to jump the queue. We stopped him and asked him to come in a queue. He was pissed," he tweeted.

When taking his seat numbered 16E (middle), Shekhar noticed the American was on 16D (aisle seat). "He had a huge rucksack with him which the staff told him to put on the stow cabin but he insisted he wants to keep it on the seat." As the bag hurt Shekhar's leg when the American flyer kept pushing it, the former told him to stop it. But the American retorted saying, "I have paid for this portion of this seat and you have paid for middle. So, I am entitled to do whatever on this side you fat piece of s**t."

Later, the co-passenger taunted, "Hey, u Indian Pu**y. I am gonna make this brown skin of yours black by a punch."

Shekhar said he called the flight attendant repeatedly and requested a seat change. The American continued, "You Indians always whine. You guys are a load of s**t." Another passenger volunteered to exchange his seat, but the abuser refused to give way, Shekhar said.

Vistara maintained "complete silence" when he suggested deplaning either one of them before the trip started, Shekhar added. The flight took off and the abuses continued.

Vistara has responded to the passenger, saying it is investigating the incident.

8 policemen went to the village

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

A team of about eight policemen of Mahagaon Police Station, led by Ilala went to the village around 8 pm on Friday.

A senior police officer, on condition of anonymity, said the team, while on its way to Taruri, visited the police station at Manthala around 6 pm and sought help. But the police from the neighbouring state and local residents advised the Kalaburagi police team not to venture into the region during night.

After reaching Taruri, some members of the team went to Umarga to seek the help of local police.

Five personnel, including Illala, stayed at Taruri. The other members of the team were Kupendra, Nagaraj, Rajendra Reddy and Kishan.

As ganja growers launched the attack, the four policemen escaped, while Illala was caught by the criminals.

Jurisdictional issue

When this correspondent contacted Police Inspector of Umarga Police Station PR Rathod, he said that though Taruri falls under the jurisdiction of Umarga police station, the incident occurred in Manthala police limits of Basavakalyan which borders Umarga. He said Manthala police should conduct the investigation.

Dr Sudarshan of United Hospital, who is attending to the patient, said the condition of Illala is critical.

Replying to a tweet by this correspondent, DGP & IGP Praveen Sood termed the incident "very unfortunate". Sood said the police has arranged an air ambulance to airlift Illala to Hyderabad Apollo Hospital for treatment. The culprits will not be spared, he tweeted.

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Mysuru district in-charge Minister S T Somashekar on Saturday said there will be 12 VIPs who will be sharing the stage with President Droupadi Murmu during the inauguration of the Mysuru Dasara festivities atop Chamundi Hills on Monday

Comprehensive Bill on Kannada: Govt to invite suggestions, opinions from public

ASHWINI M SRIPAD
@ Bengaluru

THE state government will seek opinions and suggestions of people to effectively implement the "Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill", said Kannada and Culture Minister V Sunil Kumar.

The Bill aims to introduce Kannada as one of the languages in higher, technical and professional courses. It stresses on reservation to those who have studied in Kannada medium in higher, technical and professional education. It also talks about reservation for Kannadigas in industries.

Sunil Kumar told The New Sunday Express that there is a need for a public debate on the Bill. "There is no urgency. We will take the opinion of the public as it matters a lot. Just because we have the majority in both Houses, it does not mean we are going to pass and implement the Bill immediately. We are now allowing the public to take part and give suggestions. We will wait and see what they have to say," he added.

He, however, made it clear that the government will not withdraw the Bill. "We have taken a major decision and framed the Bill. This has never been done before. We are ready to take any suggestion that is good for Karnataka, Kannada language and Kannadigas," he asserted.

On providing reservation in the private sector, he said the government will fix reservation for each industry, sector-wise. "The garment, IT and other industries are different and we cannot have the same reservation criteria for all industries. We will fix it according to each sector. We will formulate the rules once the Bill is gazetted. It will have the reservation clause and if industries don't implement it, their incentives will be withdrawn," he added.

He said the Kannada and Culture Department will recruit 75 people across the state. "We are constituting committees at the state, district and taluk level for effective implementation of the Bill. The committees have to meet once every three months and submit reports to the government," he added.

'LANGUAGE BILL NEEDED AS EARLIER ATTEMPTS INEFFECTIVE'

ASHWINI M SRIPAD

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

One should be conscious while using the language... When we make a rule like this, it will create awareness on the quality of language too
V Sunil Kumar, Kannada and Culture Minister

KANNADA, one of the oldest languages in the country, has a history of over 2,000 years. Authors writing in Kannada have won the prestigious Jnanpith award eight times. It enjoys classical language status. Though the state government has issued over 300 circulars and notifications to strengthen the language, there has not been much progress in implementing it as the official language. To overcome this, the government recently tabled the Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill. Kannada and Culture Minister **V Sunil Kumar** spoke to *The New Sunday Express* about the challenges in implementing it. He said providing reservation to Kannadigas in the private sector, which is one of the aims of the Bill, is difficult, but the government is committed, he added.

What is the government's definition of a Kannadiga?
One who has lived in Karnataka for 15 years and one who knows how to read and write Kannada, immaterial of where he/she is from.

Why is there a need for a Bill when we already have many similar pieces of legislation?
More than 300 circulars have been issued over the last many years. Still, we don't have a strong law for Kannada. Kannada is not a language. It is an emotion, and its own identity and culture. We tabled the Bill to implement Kannada effectively and to strengthen the language.

Do you think there is a threat to Kannada?
Earlier circulars have not been effective because of some shortfall on the part of the government and people. The latest Bill is an attempt to get the government and people to work together in a legal framework. The department is conducting an awareness programme in its bid to safeguard the language. This will be increased in the coming days.

The Bill proposes reservation for Kannada medium students in higher education. What if the companies do not hire such candidates?
The Bill specifies reservation in education and employment. Many companies, who invest here, have to provide jobs to the local people as per the Sarojini Mahishi report. If they do not follow it, the Bill clearly says incentives and rebates given to these industries can be withdrawn.

What if companies threaten to go elsewhere?
There are challenges before us, but we need to protect our interests.

What are the challenges before the government?
People have to accept the Bill. We are creating awareness on this law to sensitise people. Their involvement and implementation is the major challenge.

After the Bill was passed in the Assembly, a section of people are posting #StopKannadaImposition on social media.

People speaking Tulu, Kodava or Lambani are demanding that their languages be made the second language and be given priority. If they demand that their languages be made official in the state, it is not possible. In Karnataka, Kannada is supreme.

The quality of the language has deteriorated in movies and other media...

One should be conscious while using the language. Just to get publicity, one cannot use it as they please. When we make a rule like this, it will create awareness on the quality of language too.

BJP has been in power for the last three years and why the bill now? Is it an attempt to woo the votes of Kannadigas?
I became a minister one year ago. We were working on this bill for many months. Our government is committed to protect the language and culture. There is a debate on Hindi imposition...

There is no need for a debate. We are just asking states to conduct official communication with other states in Hindi. There is nothing wrong with that.

On social media, there is a division between Kanadigas and non-Kannadigas. Will this gap widen if the Bill is implemented?
This Bill is not to stoke hate against any other language. All we want is to make people love our language and our aim is to implement it across the state.

Union Minister Ramdas Athawale, University of Mysore V-C Prof G Hemantha Kumar and others pay homage to Dr BR Ambedkar in Mysuru on Saturday | UDAYSHANKAR S

Modi will return in 2024, says NDA ally

Union Minister for Social Justice Ramdas Athawale said here on Saturday that PM Narendra Modi will again come back to power by winning 400 seats in 2024. He said it is not easy to replace a leader like Modi, who has taken everyone along in building a new India and has brought in changes across the country. He said Congress has lost its ground and people have lost faith in Rahul Gandhi's leadership. "Congress performed badly under his leadership in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls. Even if Kejriwal, Nitish, Pawar or Mamata come together, they cannot unseat Modi," he said.

Centre mulling increasing quota for SC/STs based on 2011 census: Athawale

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mysuru

UNION Minister for Social Justice Ramdas Athawale said here on Saturday that the Union government is mulling increasing the reservation to SC/STs based on the 2011 census.

He said there is a growing demand from Dalits to increase the quota and the government is thinking about it. But there is a 50 per cent cap set by the Supreme Court, he added.

Asked how the government passed an amendment to introduce 10 per cent reservation for economically backward among the upper caste, he said the Narendra Modi government wanted to extend education and economic support to the poor even among upper castes.

Athawale, who is also the president of the Republican Party of India, admitted that the inclusion of too many castes in the SC reservation list has harmed the interest of untouchables. "Due to political reasons, there is a tendency to consider adding more castes to the SC/ST list. But it has robbed benefits from real sufferers," he added.

I will tour across the country to fight against anti-Dalits. I personally visited Lakhimpur Kheri in Uttar Pradesh when two minor sisters were raped and murdered. We paid a compensation of ₹16.50 lakh from the ministry
Ramdas Athawale, Union Minister for Social Justice

He distanced himself, BJP and the government from the statement of former minister and BJP leader KS Eshwarappa that Dalits who are economically well-off and are politically connected should give up reservation.

"This is an individual opinion and not that of the party. One should know that the Constitution has ensured caste-based and earnings-based reservation. If untouchability ends tomorrow, there will be no question of claiming reservation," he said.

He condemned the recent incident of a Dalit boy's family being fined for reportedly touching an idol at a temple at Ullerahalli in Malur taluk of Kolar district. "Such incidents and practice of untouchability does not happen in major temples, but in rural pockets and small temples in villages. Such incidents made Dr BR Ambedkar embrace Buddhism," he added.

Asked about lakhs of SC/ST students denied scholarship due to a technical error and many of them giving up higher education not being able to pay the fee, he said, "The 60 per cent contribution from the Centre has been released in July. I will write it to the authorities in the state to look into it," he said.

Cong's 'PayCM' drive dirty politics: Bommai

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru/ Chitradurga/Udupi

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai and senior BJP leaders on Saturday hit out at the Congress for its "PayCM" poster campaign against the government. While the CM termed it dirty politics by the Opposition party, Health and Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar said it is a campaign against the chief minister who is from the Lingayat community.

Speaking to reporters at Sirigere village in Chitradurga district, the CM said the Congress is indulging in dirty politics and the government will initiate action against those involved in the 'PayCM' campaign.

Bommai said if there were any issues, the Congress could have discussed it and presented proper documents, but they come to Assembly without proper preparation. Congress leaders are under the illusion of coming to power by defaming the BJP, which is not possible, the CM said, and added that the ruling party will return to power after the 2023 polls. Responding to a question on the NIA and police action against members of the Popular Front of India, the CM stated that proper legal action is being initiated.

POWER TARIFF

On the increase in power tariff from October 1, V Sunil Kumar added, "Power tariff is revised once a year based on the variation in input costs like the price of coal. So, to adjust to the coal price, the power bill was revised. For the past nine years, the price of coal is revised every three months."

He, however, refused to react to Dr Sudhakar's statement that a Lingayat community CM is being targeted by Congress leaders.

"The campaign shows Congress leaders' desperation, and they are doing it for political gains," he said. By taking up such a campaign, the leaders have spoiled "1 or 2 per cent" chances they had in the state, he said. In Udupi, Energy Minister V Sunil Kumar said the Congress leaders are making baseless allegations against the BJP government.

KPCC president DK Shivakumar, who is being questioned by the Enforcement Directorate, has pasted posters accusing the state government of corruption. Those who are involved in the Arkavathy de-notification scam and the Indira Canteen scam have no moral right to speak about corruption, he alleged.

RAHUL HAS EMBARKED ON BHARAT TODO YATRA: MINISTER

MYSURU: Accusing Congress MP Rahul Gandhi of turning his Bharat Jodo Yatra into a 'Bharat Todo Yatra', PWD Minister CC Patil alleged that the former's meeting with a controversial Christian pastor recently portrays the real intention of Congress. Speaking to reporters in Mysuru, Patil came down heavily against Congress, stating that the party has lost its base. "Rahul Gandhi might have forgotten the history of this country, but not us. In the name of Bharat Jodo, he is trying Bharat Todo Yatra by meeting a controversial Christian pastor who spoke ill against us," he charged.

POLITICAL THEATRE

'BJP LYING ABOUT RIFT BETWEEN SIDDU AND DKS DUE TO OWN FAILURES'

MANGALURU: Deputy Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly, UT Khader, on Saturday accused the BJP of spreading lies about Congress leaders Siddaramaiah and DK Shivakumar, as their government has nothing to showcase as its achievements. Addressing reporters here, he said the BJP has been spreading 'false propaganda' on social media that there was a rift between Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar. "BJP can never break the bond shared by Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar, even if it continues its social media campaign for the next two decades," he said, adding that "Congress is always united. Shivakumar, Siddaramaiah and all other leaders are united, and will join hands to make the Bharat Jodo Yatra a success". He said that the main objective of the yatra is to unite the people of the nation. **ENS**

Banks can't confiscate farmers' property anymore: CM

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@ Chitradurga

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai has announced that the state government would bring a suitable amendment to the existing rules, in a bid to end the practice of confiscation of properties of farmers by banks, through the issue of notices that too when the latter are facing a range of difficulties.

Addressing a gathering at the 30th remembrance day of Jagadguru Sri Shivakumara Shivacharya Swami of Sri Taralabalu, at a function organised by Sirigere Sri Taralabaalu Jagadguru Bruhanmutt here on Saturday, the CM said until now, banks used to serve notices to farmers for non-clearance of loans and attach their properties. By bringing an amendment to the present rules, the government would end the practice of confiscating farmers' properties by banks, while allowing them to clear loans at ease.

The CM said he has formulated the Vidyanidhi scheme for the children of 14 lakh farmers and the same has now been extended to the children of agricultural labourers, weavers, fishermen, auto-rickshaw and taxi drivers. This scheme aims to provide employment to children through education.

The government does not want the children to discontinue their education due to a lack of funds, while aiming to ensure their bright future.

Several programmes have been chalked out in all departments, including water resources. Despite giving zero per cent loans to farmers up to Rs 3 lakh, they continue to face problems due to nature's wrath. This time around though, the state has received good rainfall, filling up water bodies for the next 2-3 years. But in some areas, flooding has negatively impacted farmers.

Meanwhile, Bommai said the declaration of the Upper Bhadra scheme as a national project is in its final stages. Once it receives Union

Cabinet approval, Karnataka will get a grant of Rs 14,000 crore, which is enough to complete the project in time.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai speaks at the 30th remembrance day of Jagadguru Sri Shivakumara Shivacharya Swami of Sri Taralabalu at Sirigere village in Chitradurga district on Saturday. Former CM BS Yediyurappa is also seen | EXPRESS

Relief based on extent of crop loss: BSY

ENS @ Chitradurga

REFERRING to the incessant rain that the state endured recently, causing time serious damage to the agriculture sector, former chief minister BS Yediyurappa on Saturday said the government will suitably compensate for the crop loss.

Addressing a gathering at Sirigere village during a memorial held in honour of Jagadguru Sri Shivakumara Shivacharya Swami of Sri Taralabalu, Yediyurappa said, "Crop loss to the tune of Rs 26,000 crore have occured in the country, however, crop compensation to the tune of Rs 1 lakh crore has been disbursed by various insurance companies." He added that during his tenure as CM, funds to the tune of Rs 565 crore have been released for Bharamasagara lift irrigation project and Rs 725 crore was released for the Jagaluru lift irrigation project, which made the region water-sufficient.

Gadag villagers empty lake to prevent caving in of houses

The floor of a house that caved in at Antur village near Gadag | EXPRESS

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

RAIN has been bountiful across the state this year, but it has also brought a lot of misery along with it. But problems faced by the residents of Antur Bentur village in Gadag district were peculiar.

As the lake in the village was brimming following copious rain, the floors of houses near the water body have caved in, creating panic among residents. As a solution, which may be debatable, the villagers emptied the lake to avert further damage. Experts said the caving in could be because of the steep rise in groundwater levels. Unable to withstand nature's fury, some families even shifted out of the village. "The problem first started with houses closer to the lake. But later, buildings across the village faced the threat. As more house floors were caving in, villagers decided to empty the lake," sources said. Shyamanna Dindur, a farmer, said, "We were scared and we informed local officials. Now that the lake has been emptied, cave-ins have stopped."

A gram panchayat official, too, said, "The villagers demanded emptying of the lake and we drained out the water. Now, there are no cave-ins." Residents said pumps were deployed to remove water from the lake.

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रू. 2,200 करोड़
की सम्पत्तियां जब्त

महिला एवं बाल अपराधों में 36 अभियुक्तों को मृत्युदंड, 1296 अभियुक्तों को आजीवन कारावास, 1203 अभियुक्तों को 10 वर्ष या उससे अधिक सजा तथा 3676 अभियुक्तों को 10 वर्ष से कम की सजा
महिला अपराधों में सजा दिलाने में उत्तर प्रदेश देश में प्रथम
56,491 अपराधियों के विरुद्ध गैंगस्टर एक्ट तथा **795** अपराधियों के विरुद्ध एन.एस.ए. की कार्रवाई

गन्ना किसानों को विगत 6 माह में
रू. 30,697 करोड़
गन्ना मूल्य का भुगतान
अब तक
रू. 1.79 लाख करोड़
का रिकॉर्ड भुगतान

विगत 6 माह में प्रधानमंत्री किसान सम्मान निधि से किसानों को
रू.4,950 करोड़
हस्तांतरित,
अब तक
2.60 करोड़ किसानों को
रू. 48,324 करोड़
हस्तांतरित

36 सिंचाई परियोजनाएं पूर्ण
23 लाख हेक्टेयर
अतिरिक्त सिंचन क्षमता सृजित
बाढ़-बचाव की **65** परियोजनाएं पूर्ण
2100 नये राजकीय नलकूपों के निर्माण की स्वीकृति

250 एडवांस लाइफ सपोर्ट एम्बुलेंस सेवा,
2270 नेशनल एम्बुलेंस सेवा एवं
812 नई 108 एम्बुलेंस सेवा संचालित
मुख्यमंत्री जन आरोग्य मेला में अब तक **11.37 करोड़** मरीजों का उपचार

एक जिला-एक मेडिकल कॉलेज की नीति के तहत
65 मेडिकल कॉलेज संचालित।
22 मेडिकल कॉलेज निर्माणाधीन
हेल्थ ए.टी.एम. का शुभारंभ
अगले 3 माह में प्रदेश के सभी पी.एच.सी. में हेल्थ ए.टी.एम. की स्थापना

8.90 करोड़ लोगों को आयुष्मान भारत योजना में निःशुल्क बीमा कवर
पंडित दीनदयाल उपाध्याय राज्य कर्मचारी **कैशलेस चिकित्सा** योजना प्रारंभ

38 करोड़ से अधिक निःशुल्क कोविड टीकाकरण
कोरोना के प्रभाव के दृष्टिगत
15 करोड़ लोगों
को निःशुल्क राशन

विशेष संचारी रोग नियंत्रण/दस्तक अभियान से दिमागी बुखार से होने वाली मौतों पर **95 प्रतिशत तक नियंत्रण**
नेशनल फैमिली हेल्थ सर्वे के अनुसार उत्तर प्रदेश में हेल्थ इंडिकेटर्स में आशातीत सुधार

पॉवर फॉर ऑल के तहत
1 करोड़ 47 लाख
से अधिक घरों का विद्युत संयोजन
1,21,324 मजरों
का विद्युतीकरण

5 लाख
से अधिक युवाओं को सरकारी नौकरी

'स्कूल चलो अभियान' में
1.92 करोड़
बच्चों का नामांकन

स्कूली बच्चों को यूनिफार्म, जूता-मोजा, पाठ्य-पुस्तक एवं स्कूल बैग उपलब्ध कराने हेतु प्रति विद्यार्थी
रू.1200 की दर से
अब तक
रू. 2200 करोड़
ऑनलाइन हस्तांतरित

विगत 6 माह में
35 करोड़
पौधरोपण
अब तक
131 करोड़
पौधरोपण

'आजादी का अमृत वर्ष' में
8097
अमृत सरोवरों का निर्माण
हर घर नल योजना :
30,000 से अधिक
ग्राम पंचायतों में शुद्ध पेयजल की आपूर्ति

स्वच्छ भारत मिशन में
2.61 करोड़
शौचालयों का निर्माण
देश में प्रथम

स्वामी विवेकानन्द युवा सशक्तीकरण योजना :
17 लाख
छात्र-छात्राओं को टैबलेट/स्मार्ट फोन वितरित

नारी सुरक्षा, सम्मान एवं स्वावलंबन के लिए
मिशन शक्ति अभियान
58,000 बी.सी. सखी के चयन का निर्णय।
अब तक **46,837** चयनित

प्रधानमंत्री उज्ज्वला योजना में
1.74 करोड़
से अधिक निःशुल्क गैस कनेक्शन देकर **देश में प्रथम**
होली व दीपावली में निःशुल्क गैस सिलेण्डर

45.50 लाख
प्रधानमंत्री आवासों का निर्माण एवं पीएम स्वामित्व योजना में **35 लाख** घरौनी का वितरण कर
देश में प्रथम

बुन्देलखण्ड एक्सप्रेसवे राष्ट्र को समर्पित
5 एक्सप्रेसवे
5 अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय एयरपोर्ट
5 शहरों में मेट्रो रेल सेवा

प्रधानमंत्री ग्राम सड़क योजना में विगत 6 माह में
2307 किमी. सड़कों का निर्माण
अब तक 12,564 किमी.
सड़कों का निर्माण
100 सेतुओं का निर्माण
17,474 किमी.मार्गों का चौड़ीकरण/सुदृढ़ीकरण

'ईज ऑफ लिविंग'
एवं आर्थिक विकास हेतु नगरीय निकायों का गठन व नगरीय सीमाओं का विस्तार

1.90 लाख
लघु उद्यमियों को
रू.16 हजार करोड़
ऋण वितरित
रोजगार मेलों के माध्यम से
2.60 करोड़
लोगों को रोजगार
रू. 2.35 लाख करोड़
की वार्षिक ऋण योजना प्रारंभ

एक जनपद एक उत्पाद कार्यक्रम को वैश्विक पहचान
राज्य से निर्यात में
80 प्रतिशत
तक वृद्धि

विभिन्न जनपदों में **150** नई बी.एस.-6 बसें तथा नगरीय क्षेत्र में **700** इलेक्ट्रिक बसें संचालित
17 शहरों में स्मार्ट सिटी मिशन का संचालन
'ईज ऑफ डूइंग बिजनेस' में अचीवर्स स्टेट

ग्राउण्ड ब्रेकिंग सेरेमनी-3 में
रू. 80,224 करोड़ की
1,406 निवेश परियोजनाएं शुरू
ग्लोबल इन्वेस्टर्स समिट के आयोजन का निर्णय
ग्राउण्ड ब्रेकिंग सेरेमनी के माध्यम से अब तक
रू. 3.80 लाख करोड़
का निवेश

डबल इंजन की सरकार - विकास की दोगुनी रफ़्तार

सूचना एवं जनसम्पर्क विभाग, उत्तर प्रदेश

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
MEDICAL EDUCATION & TRAINING
6th FLOOR, JAWAHAR BHAWAN, LUCKNOW-UTTAR PRADESH

No. ME-3/PG-2022/2203 Lucknow Dated : 24.09.2022

THE TIME SCHEDULE OF FIRST ROUND OF ONLINE COUNSELING OF UP NEET PG-2022

The Time Schedule for the Admission through Online counselling in the State Uttar pradesh for Government/Private Medical/Dental Colleges/ Institutions/Universtites/Hospitals of Medical Health for Postgraduate courses (MD/MS/ Diploma/DNB/MDS) is as follows :-

Date of Online Registration	26.09.2022 (From 2:00 PM) To 28.09.2022 (Till 2:00 PM)
Date of Online Registration fee submission	26.09.2022 (From 2:00 PM) To 28.09.2022
Date of Online Security fee submission	26.09.2022 (From 2:00 PM) To 29.09.2022
Expected date of Declaration of Merit List	28th /29th September 2022
Date of Online Choice Filling	29.09.2022 (From 2:00 PM) to 02.10.2022 (Till 02:00 PM)
Declaration of result of seat allotment	03rd/04th October 2022
Date for downloading allotment letters and admission date	05.10.2022 to 08.10.2022

- Candidates can apply online by visiting the website https://upneet.gov.in
- For registration candidate will use his/her NEET-PG roll no. and email ID (same that was used for registration in NEET PG-2022/ NEET MDS-2022) for login into the system and follow the instructions on the screen.
- Registration fee Rs. 3000/- (Three Thousand) deposit via online mode is mandatory. Also deposit online security fee Rs. 30,000/- (Thirty Thousands). for Govt. Medical/Dental Colleges, Rs. 2,00,000/- (Two Lakhs) for Pvt. Medical Colleges & Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakhs) for Pvt. Dental Colleges.
- Candidates who want to avail PWD reservation in PG seats of Govt. state medical instituitions should obtain Disability certificate as per 21 Benchmark Disabilities given under RPWD Act 2016 as per NMC norms, from the designated disability centres. The certificate issued by any other hospital/board will not be accepted.
- For further important and detailed information kindly visit the website, https://upneet.gov.in & www.dgme.up.gov.in

DIRECTOR GENERAL

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. K.NAGARAJA RAO is intending to purchase the schedule property from its owners Smt. PADMAMMA @ PADMAVATHI & others and the builder M/s BHAVISHA PROPERTIES for a valid sale consideration. If any persons having any claims, right, title, interest, whatsoever over the schedule property may forward their objections to the undersigned in writing, within SEVEN days from the date of this notice. Failing which it will be deemed that there are no claims, right, title or interest by anybody and my client will proceed with the completion of sale transaction and will get register the absolute sale deed of the schedule property in her name.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the 2 BHK Apartment No.109 on First Floor of the residential apartment building known as "BHAVISHA GARDENIAA PHASE-II" with built up area of 873 sq.ft, with 492 sq.ft of undivided share in the property bearing No.2492/42/2A & 43/2A, formed in Sy No.42/2A and 43/2C of Sompura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, with one car parking in the stilt floor, together with right over common areas of usage with amenities and the entire apartment is bounded on: East by: Property of Krishnareddy and Nanjundareddy, West by : Road and Yamara Village border, North by: Property of Srinivasareddy and Sy No.47/2, South by: Property in Sy No.43/2B and Jayaprakash's property,

V.N.SIMHA, Advocate,
No. 38/15, WAT Street, Basavanagudi,
Bangalore-560004. Ph: 9845549487
Dated: 24-09-2022

FORM III-A
IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
AT BENGALURU

WRIT PETITION No. 2158/2022

[LB-BMP]
[Notice under Rule 13(a) proviso]

PETITIONER : 1. HARISH J PADMANABHA, Aged About 75 Years, S/o Late C J Padmanabha, Smitha, No.4/26, 3rd Cross, 1st Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.

By Smt. Lakshmi Menon,Adv.,

V/S

RESPONDENTS : 1. JOINT COMMISSIONER BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE SOUTH ZONE, BBMP Complex, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011. And 2 Others.

To, Respondent No. 3 :

3. MR. P P FRANCIES, Aged About 64 Years, S/o Pavunny, Smitha, No.4/26, 3rd Cross, 1st Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.

Also At No. 18, Gajendra Nagar, Anepalya Adugodi, Bengaluru-560030.

Whereas, a Writ Petition filed by the above named petitioner under Article 226 of the constitution of India, as in the copy annexed hereunto, has been registered by this Court.

Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this court in person or through an Advocate duly instructed or through some one authorised by law to act for you in this case, on 10.10.2022 at 10.30 A.M in the forenoon, to show cause why rule nisi should not be issued.

If you fail so to appear on the said date or any subsequent date to which the matter may be posted as directed by the Court, without any further notice, the petition will be dealt with, heard and decided on merits in your absence.

Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court on FRIDAY, THE 09TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

By order of the Court,
(S.R. JAYASHREE) ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify to the general public that my clients intend to purchase the immovable property being a residential property bearing Municipal No.66, Old Site No.66, situated at NGEF Layout, Nagashettihalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently Sanjaynagar, Bengaluru-560 094, PID No.100-737-66, measuring East to West: (59 + 62)/2 ft and North to South: 30 ft, totally measuring 1815 sq.ft and bounded on the East by: P & T Colony, West by: Road, North by: Site No.67 and South by: Site No. 65 from (1) MR. CHANNABASAVARAJ M B, (2) MR. MAHESH KUMAR M. B AND (3) MRS. MANGALA B. JAVALI all children of Late M. H. Bevinamarad, residing at No.66, 7th Cross, NGEF Layout, Sanjaynagar, Bengaluru-560 094, who have represented that they are the absolute, joint and exclusive owners of the same.

Any person/s, financial institutions, banks having or claiming any manner of right, title, interest, charge or lien into or upon the aforesaid property may intimate the same in writing supported by documentary evidence thereof to the undersigned within seven (7) days from the date of publication hereof, failing which all rights and claims if any, shall be deemed to have been waived and my clients will proceed with conveyance as if no valid claims are subsisting against the said property.

Sd/- S.K. NAGARAJ, Advocate,
No.22, I Floor, Yamunabai Road,
Madhavanagar, Bengaluru-560 001.
Ph: 9845012528

EAST COAST RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM No.1 TO TENDER NOTICE NO.: CPMGSUWATENGG2022002
Dated : 09.09.2022

THE ABOVE TENDER IS CANCELLED HEREWITH DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS.

Dy. Chief Engineer(GSU)/ Waltair

PR-110/CF/22-23

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified and informed that, my client Sri. Anjinappa. S/o Sri. Thayappa, had purchased the scheduled properties mentioned in the schedule here under from Sri. Munishamappa and others, and link/previous documents sale deed dated 09.04.1980,document No.124/1980-81 in Book-1, Stored in Volume No. 1585, SRO-Hosakote, and document No. No.3386/1980-81 in Book-1, Stored in Volume No. 1611, SRO-Hosakote, dated 01.01.1981, and document No.2932/1976-77 in Book-1, Stored in Volume No. 1499, SRO-Hosakote, dated 17.01.1977, Bangalore. It is submitted that my client, while shifting his house said original documents has been lost/misplaced. I any person/s in contact of the same or found they may kindly return the same to my client or the below mentioned address. In this regard my client also lodged a police complaint in respect of the lost documents through online which has been registered as Lost Report No.0341437/2022, on 24.09.2022.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that Piece and parcel for property bearing SL and Janjaru No. 88, property No. 62, PID. 150300400700800052, measuring East to West northern side 30 feet, southern side 33, and North to South 19 feet total measuring 598.5, Sq feet, and property SL and Janjaru No. 88, property No. 62, PID. 150300400700800052, measuring East to West 10 feet, and North to South 10 feet total measuring 100, Sq feet. And SL and Janjaru No. 88, property No. 38, PID. 150300400700800052, measuring East to West 32 feet, and North to South 26 feet, total measuring 832, Sq feet, situated at Atthivatta Village, Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bengaluru and bounded on the East By: Property of Bodamma, West By: Government Road, North By: Property of Chikkamunishamappa and Narayanappa, South By: Property of Ramaiah.

E.T. Divakara, Advocate,
No. 27, 3rd Floor, Hospital Road, Behind Mysore Bank,
Near Menaka Theatre, Bangalore-560053.
Mob No: 9741818992 Date : 24.09.2022

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ

(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಒಂದು ಉದ್ಯಮ)
ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ, ನಂ-2 ವಾರಾಹಿ ಜಲಾಶಯ ಯೋಜನಾ ವಿಭಾಗ
ಸಿದ್ದಾಪುರ-576229 ಕುಂದಾಪುರ (ತಾ), ಉಡುಪಿ (ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ), ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ
ಕ.ಟಿ.ಪ್ರ ಸಂ: ಕಾಇಂ/ಕನೀನಿನಿ/ವಾಜಯೋವಿ-2/ಪಿಬಿ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/17-20/2022-23/931-934 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 20.09.2022

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೇದಿಕೆ) (ಡಬಲ್ ಕವರ್ ಸಿಸ್ಟಂ)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕದ ಉಡುಪಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ವಾರಾಹಿ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಯೋಜನಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಎಸ್.ಸಿ.ಪಿ ಮತ್ತು ಟಿ.ಎಸ್.ಪಿ ಲೆಕ್ಕಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆಯಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಮತ್ತು ನೀರಾವರಿ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ ಒದಗಿಸುವ (ತೆರೆದ ಬಾವಿ/ಕೊಳವೆ ಬಾವಿ) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೇದಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತದೆ:

(1) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲದ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. (2) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ಕ್ರಮವಾಗಿ ರೂ. 55.72 ಲಕ್ಷ, ರೂ. 55.72 ಲಕ್ಷ, ರೂ. 45.27 ಲಕ್ಷ ಮತ್ತು ರೂ. 47.99 ಲಕ್ಷ (3) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 62,500.00, ರೂ. 62,400.00, ರೂ. 53,450.00 ಮತ್ತು ರೂ. 56,650.00 (4) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲದ ಮೂಲಕ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೇದಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26.09.2022 (5) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಿ-ಬಿಡ್ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30.09.2022 ರಂದು ಸಮಯ 11.00 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ, ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ನಂ.2 ವಾಜಯೋವಿ ಇವರ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುವುದು. (6) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಷರತ್ತುಗಳ ಕುರಿತಾದ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣ ಕೇಳಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30.09.2022 (7) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲದ ಮೂಲಕ ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವೇದಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07.10.2022. (8) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.10.2022 (9) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in, www.knnlindia.com ಅಂತರ್ಜಾಲ ಅಥವಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಕನೀನಿನಿ, ನಂ-2 ವಾರಾಹಿ ಜಲಾಶಯ ಯೋಜನಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಇವರನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸುವುದು. (10) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ, ಮಾರ್ಪಾಡು ಅಥವಾ ಇತರ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಚುರಪಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಕನೀನಿನಿ.,
ನಂ.2 ವಾರಾಹಿ ಜಲಾಶಯ ಯೋಜನಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಸಿದ್ದಾಪುರ, ಉಡುಪಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ

ವಾಸಾಇ/ಕನೀನಿ/ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಎ/449/22-23 ದಿ: 24.09.2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

We are investigating the title of the landownerswith respect to converted undeveloped lands situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, bearing extent and boundaries as shown against each survey number in the table below and described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the "**Schedule Property**". Portion of the Schedule Property is being developed by M/s. Adarsh Developers, a partnership firm having its office at No.2/4, Langford Gardens, Richmond Town, Bangalore – 560025, has the development rights in respect of properties mentioned in the table below vide the registered joint development agreements and general power of attorneys.

Any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within seven (07) days of this publication. In case no such notice is received by us within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice, it shall be presumed that the title of the landownerswith respect to the Schedule Property is clear, marketable and free from encumbrance/s of any kind whatsoever and no person has any right, title or interest of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof. Claims or alleged interest, if any, which are not received within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice shall be deemed to have been waived and disregarded for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding on our client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of converted undeveloped lands situated at Puttenahalli Village, UttarahalliHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on:

Sl. Nos	Sy. Nos.	Extents		Boundaries East By: E; West By: W; North By: N; South By: S	Name of the Owner/s
		Acres	Guntas		
1.	32/1	2	10 ½	**East By :** Property bearing Sy. No.30. **West By :** Road. **North By :** Property bearing Sy. No. 33. **South By :** Private Property and Road.	Rajamma wife of M. Narayanadas M.N, Dharmavratha, M.N. Priya Datta, M.N. Sharanarthi, M.N. Paranjyothi, Gayathri Dharshinee, M.N. Tejaswini, and M.N. Divya Dharshinee, all children of M. Narayanadas.
2.	32/1	2	10 ½		Dr. Ashoka Gurudas, Maitri N. Gowda, Sucharitha.V and Charumathi A. all children of late Gurudas.
3.	32/3	0	27		B.Nirgunarthy son of late Bramhananda, Manjula Nirgunarthy wife of B.Nirgunarthy, Smitha Nirgunarthy and Amith Nirgunarthy children of B.Nirgunarthy, B.Shivarthy son of late Bramhananda, Krupa Shivarthy wife of B.Shivarthy, Bhargava Shivarthy, Sahadeva B. Shivarthy, Krupa Shivarthy, Bhargava Shivarthy and Sahadeva B. Shivarthyall children of B.Shivarthy.
4.	32/4	0	27		

Malini Raju
JSA, Advocates and Solicitors,
Level 3, Prestige Obelisk, No.3, Kasturba Road,
Bangalore-560 001. Ph: 080-43503600.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 25.09.2022

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Branch Office: No.86/2, Hosapete Road, Ballari-583 102, (Ph: 08392-242719)

SALE OF INDUSTRIAL LAND & BUILDING AT SIRUGUPPA ON "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" THROUGH E-AUCTION

Website: http:/eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein have been taken possession under the provisions of **SARFAESI Act 2002** and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) read with Rule No.9 of security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 will be sold through E-Auction on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** The interested persons for the purchase of following assets may participate in the bid through E-Auction.

1) M/s. Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Para Boiled Rice Industries, Siruguppa

Name of the Partners:
1) Sri V.C.Narasa Reddy, 3) Smt Lakshmi Devamma
2) Sri Lakshmi kantha Reddy, 4) Smt Lakshmi Narasamma.

Dues : Rs. 377.33 Lacs as on 10-09-2022

Land and Building: The Land measuring 0.85 Acres (Out of the 2.00 Acres) situated at Sy. No. 68 /A1 and 68 /A3, Adoni Road, Siruguppa, Ballari District alongwith Buildings thereon of total builtup area of about 985.77 Sq. Mtrs.

Reserve Price : Rs. 61.90 Lacs **EMD : 6.19 Lacs**

2) M/s. Sree Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Industries, Siruguppa.

Name of the Partners: 1) Sri V.Jaganath Reddy, 2) Sri V.Srinivas Reddy, 3) Smt V.Vijay Lakshmi 4) Smt V.Vasantha.

Dues : Rs 514.24 Lacs as on 10-09-2022

Land and Building: The Land measuring 1.15 Acres (Out of the 2.00 Acres) situated at Sy. No. 68 A/1 and 68 A/3, Adoni Road, Siruguppa, Ballari District alongwith Buildings thereon of total builtup area of about 2156.50 Sq. Mtrs.

Reserve Price : Rs. 79.00 Lacs **EMD : 7.90 Lacs**

*** Since the above properties are adjacent to each other, Interested bidders should bid jointly for both properties.**

Date of Inspection for all the above Properties **18-10-2022** between **11.00 am to 1.00 pm**

a) E-Auction Date and Time commencing from **27-10-2022 at 11.00 am** and closing on **03-11-2022** at **4.00 pm**

b) Last Date and Time for receipt of EMD and issue of Bid key on **02-11-2022** upto **4.00 pm**

This notice is also a 30 days statutory notice for sale of secured assets to the borrowers.

Terms and conditions of sale: The term and conditions of sale through E-Auction are detailed on website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website.

For more details on participation in e-auction, Please contact **e-procurement** help desk number **080-22371090/22340060/ 23010900 and 23010901** or take hands on training at **e-procurement** cell, Room No.141, Gate No.2, M.S.Building, Ambedkar veedhi, Bangalore-560 001.

Place : Ballari **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Date : 23-09-2022 **K.S.F.C., Branch Office, Ballari.**

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Established under the State Financial Corporation Act, 1951)
Branch Office : No.86/2, Hospet Road, BALLARI - 583102. Tel : 08392-242719.
Email : bmbly.ksfc@karnataka.gov.in website : www.ksfc.karnataka.gov.in

SALE OF RICE MILL UNIT AT SIRUGUPPA, BALLARI DIST. ON " AS IS WHERE IS BASIS " THROUGH E-AUCTION

The following assets have been taken over under Section 29 of State Financial Corporations Act 1951 and the sale is through e - auction on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS". The interested persons for the purchase of assets are to participate in the bid through E-Auction.

M/s. SREE LAKSHMI BALAJI AGRO FOODS,
Sy. No. 24A/2, Araliganoor Road, Siruguppa, Ballari District.

Land & Building : Industrial converted land measuring 4.64 acres bearing Sy. No. 24A/2, New CMC E-Property No.33-24-771, Old Door / Assessment No.482, Ward No.21, Araliganoor Road, Siruguppa Town, Ballari District with Factory Building measuring 32330 Sq.ft., of GI Sheet Roofing along with Paddy Drying Platform measuring 62500 Sq.ft., along with Husk Godown, Ash Room, 80 feet Chimney with Bore well and pump set, having the following **Boundaries** : East : Sy.No.24/A3, Hanumanthappa's property. West : Sy.No.47 Land North : Sy.No.24/A1 land and existing 30 feet road in the above said property South : Sy. No.46 Land

Plant & Machinery : (1) Latest technology 4T capacity Rice Mill Plant comprising of Militec Machineries of Stone Seperator, Vibro Sheller, Paddy Seperator, Whitner - 3 Nos., Silky Master -2 Nos., Bran discharger - 2 Nos., Classifier - 1 No., Length Grader 2 Nos., Husk seperators, Blowers, Fans and connecting Ducts. (2) Daewon GSI make colour sorter. (3) MS Platform, Structure for Rice Mill Machinery along with Stair Case, Ladder and cabin for colour sorter, Bucket Elevators - 32' height - 22 Nos., alongwith Rice Storage Bunkers. (4) 40 T/ Batch capacity, SS Drier Plant with SS Cooker, Elevators and Platform structures of Mysore Drier Tech Make. (5) 3 T capacity IBR Boiler (6) Paddy Storage Bunker in the Drier Section along with Screw & Belt Conveyors. (7) Double Bag Automatic Filling Machine along with ELGI Make Compressor. (8) Panel Boards, Electrification including Electric motors for all the machinery along with Transformer.

Reserve Price: Rs. 728.00 Lakhs **EMD: Rs. 72.80 Lakhs**

Date of inspection for above properties: 18-10-2022 between 11 AM to 1 PM.

a) E-Auction Date and Time commencing from **27-10-2022 at 11 AM & closing on 03-11-2022 at 4 PM**

b) Last date and time for receipt of EMD & issue of Bid key on **02-11-2022 up to 4PM.**

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF SALE : The terms and conditions of sale of Plant and Machinery with Land and building through E-Auction are detailed on website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid Website. For more details on participation in e-auction, Please contact e-procurement help desk number: 080-22371090/22340060/23010900 and 23010901 or take hands on training at e procurement cell, Room No. 141, Gate No.2, M.S.Building, Dr.Ambekaler Veedhi, Bangalore-560 001.

Place : Ballari **Sd/- Assistant General Manager,**
Date : 23-9-2022 **K.S.F.C., Branch Office, Ballari.**

THE CUSTOMS, CENTRAL EXCISE AND SERVICE TAX HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LIMITED,

C.R. BUILDINGS, ANNEXE "D" QUEEN'S ROAD,
BENGALURU – 560 001.
Phone No. 080 4164 5319 email id : ccebhs@gmail.com

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The Annual General Body Meeting of the society for the year 2021-22 will be held on **25th September 2022 at 1600 hrs** in the society premises, CR Building, Queens Road, Bengaluru- 560 001. Due to Covid restrictions only 100 members are allowed to participate on first-cum-first serve basis. Members desiring to attend the meeting can also attend via online using the link **https://youtu.be/rofnr35v1wY**

Date: 25.09.2022 Sd/
Place: Bengaluru (HEMANTH KUMAR)
SECRETARY

KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK LIMITED

REGISTERED OFFICE: 27 BKC, C 27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai-400051
BRANCH OFFICE: No.22, ING House, M G Road, Bangalore-560001.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of **Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.(KMBL)** under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued **Demand Notices** under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective **Demand Notice(s)** issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to **KMBL,** within **60 days** from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said **Demand Notice(s),** from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/ writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to **KMBL** by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Sl No	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
1	Loan Account No. LAP18427901 & LAP18427914 (CRN 34995527). **1) Mr. Rajanna V,** No.13 17, 24th Main Road, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069. **Also at:** Flat No.004, Bldg 1, Shanthi Park Apt, Opp. Croma Store, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069. **Also at:** Flat No.001, Buil 2, Shanthi Park Apt, Opp. Croma Store, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069 **(Borrower). 2) Mrs. Kavyashree K B,** No.13 17, 24th Main Road, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069. **Also at:** Flat No.001, Buil 2, Shanthi Park Apt, Opp. Croma Store, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069. **Also at:** Kadapala Bajinadka House, Doddathota Post, Amaramundur Village, Sullia Tq, D.K, Pin-574248 **(Co-Borrowers/ Guarantor).**	Demand Notice Date: 21-09-2022 Rs. 3,77,57,859.48 Ps (Rupees Three Crore Seventy Seven lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Nine and Paisa Forty Eight Only)	**Mortgage over following properties: Item No.1:** All the piece and parcel of Property bearing Municipal New No.12 (Old No.1317), at 24th A Main Road, 9th Block, Jayanagara, Bangalore having PID No.58-61-12 in Ward No.58 of BBMP, Jayanagar, measuring East to West 40 Ft North to South 30 ft and totally 1200 Sq.feet and **Bounded on: East:** Site No.1311, **West:** Road, **North:** Premises No.1318, **South:** Premises No.1316. **Item No.2:** All the piece and parcel of Immovable residential Apartment No.701, 7th Floor, measuring 980 Sq.ft of built up area (excluding common areas) in building No.1, Block 6, known as "SHANTHI PARK", presently BBMP Municipal New No.4-5/185, (Old No.44) Property ID No.58-76-4-5/185, Old Ward No.58, New BBMP Ward No.168 (Pattabhiramanagara), situated at District Fund Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, along with 306.25 Sq.ft undivided Share, right, title and interest in the composite premises in the property bearing Sy.No.44, Marenahalli Village, Bangalore, now bearing Municipal Corporation Nos.44/4/4, 44/4/5 and 44/4/6 situated at Marenahalli Village, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Corporation Division No.60 of Bangalore. **Item No.3:** All the piece and parcel of Immovable residential Apartment No.703, 7th Floor, measuring 1120 Sq.ft of built up area in building No.1, Block 4, known as "SHANTHI PARK", presently BBMP Municipal New No.4-4/140, (Old No.44) Property ID No.58-76-4-4/140, Old Ward No.58, New BBMP Ward No.168 (Pattabhiramanagara), situated at District Fund Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, together with One Covered Car Parking in Basement bearing 703/20, along with 350 Sq.ft undivided Share, right, title and interest in the composite premises in the property bearing Sy.No.44, Marenahalli Village, Bangalore, now bearing Municipal Corporation Nos.44/4/4, 44/4/5 and 44/4/6 situated at Marenahalli Village, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Corporation Division No.60 of Bangalore. **Item No.4:** All the piece and parcel of Immovable residential Apartment No.002, in Ground Floor, measuring 775 Sq.ft of built up area (excluding common areas) in building No.2, Block 8, known as "SHANTHI PARK", presently BBMP Municipal New No.4-5/97, (Old No.44) Property ID No.58-76-4-5/97, Old Ward No.58, New BBMP Ward No.168 (Pattabhiramanagara), situated at District Fund Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, along with 242.187 Sq.ft undivided Share, right, title and interest in the composite premises in the property bearing Sy.No.44, Marenahalli Village, Bangalore, now bearing Municipal Corporation Nos.44/4, 44/4/1, 44/4/2 and 44/4/3 situated at Marenahalli Village, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Corporation Division No.60 of Bangalore. **Item No.5:** All the piece and parcel of Immovable residential Apartment No.706, in 7th Floor, measuring 1067 Sq.ft of built up area (excluding common areas) in building No.2, Block 12, known as "SHANTHI PARK", presently BBMP Municipal New No.4-6/143, (Old No.44) Property ID No.58-76-4-6/143, Old Ward No.58, New BBMP Ward No.168 (Pattabhiramanagara), situated at District Fund Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, along with 333.4375 Sq.ft undivided Share, right, title and interest in the composite premises in the property bearing Sy.No.44, Marenahalli Village, Bangalore, now bearing Municipal Corporation Nos.44/4, 44/4/1, 44/4/2 and 44/4/3 situated at Marenahalli Village, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Corporation Division No.60 of Bangalore.
2	Loan Account No. HF 37826945 (CRN 2456757). **1) Mr. Dinesh Kumar,** No.9, 1st Floor, Nanjappa Building, Obaiah Lane, Cotton Pet, Near Lucky Inn Large, Bangalore-560053. **Also at:** No.268, 1st Floor, P S Lane Santusapet, Chikpet, Behind Raghavendra Prasanna Hotel, Bangalore-560053. **Also at:** Flat No.204, 2nd Floor, Lakshmi Complex, No.19/20, Cottonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560053 **(Borrower). 2) Mrs. Sarika,** No.9, 1st Floor, Nanjappa Building, Obaiah Lane, Cotton Pet, Near Lucky Inn Large, Bangalore-560053 **(Co-Borrowers/ Guarantor).**	Demand Notice Date: 19-09-2022 Rs.47,72,954.24 (Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Four and Paisa Twenty Four Only)	**Mortgage over following properties: Schedule-A:** All that piece and parcel of a property bearing Municipal No.20, situated at Bashyam Road (Cottonpet Main Road) Bangalore, measuring 4613 Sq.ft, situated within the administrate limits of Ward No.29, ward Name Cottonpet of BBMP, Bangalore, with an apartment building named Lakshmi Complex, standing Thereon. **Bounded on the: East by:** Remaining portion of the property of M/s. Rudra Industrial & Commercial Corporation that being a portion of No.19, Cottonpet, **West by:** Cottonpet Main Road, **North by:** Remaining portion of the property of M/s. Rudra Industrial & Commercial Corporation that being a portion of No.19, Cottonpet, **South by:** K V Lane and Private Property. **Schedule-B:** All that piece and parcel of a 2 BHK residential Flat bearing No.204, PID No.29-1-20/4, on the second floor of Schedule-A property in the apartment building named Lakshmi Complex, no.19/20, measuring 749 Sq.ft of super built up area together with 216 Sq.ft, of undivided share in the land as per Schedule-A and **Bounded on the: East by:** Remaining portion of the property of M/s. Rudra Industrial & Commercial Corporation that being a portion of No.19, Cottonpet, **West by:** Common Passage & Flat No.201, **North by:** Flat No.203, **South by:** Private Property & Ganesh Temple.

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to **KMBL** as aforesaid, **KMBL** shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of **KMBL.** Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Date: 25.09.2022, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, For Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.**

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD. CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916

Regd. Office: Ramon House, H T Parekh Marg, 169, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai- 400020
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NOTICE FOR REMOVAL OF PERSONAL BELONGINGS/HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Sl. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal heir (s) / Legal Representative(s)	Date of Demand Notice	Date Of Possession	Description of Secured Asset(s) / Immovable Property (ies)
1.	Mr. Sanjeevakumara R S (Borrower) Mrs. Sahana K (Co-borrower)	18.08.2021	25.01.2022	All that piece and parcel of **residential 3 bed room apartment bearing No.GF-024, Ground Floor,** of the building known as **"MARS MOUNT",** having a total super built up area of **1410 Sq. ft. [Carpet Area:950 sq ft Exclusive Common Area (Balcony): 82 sqft & Common Area: 378 sq ft],** along with one open/covered car parking space in the Basement Floor with proportionate share of **544 sq. feet** of undivided share, right title and interest in the land, on which this apartment complex is constructed which is situated on land properties bearing (1) Sy.No:7. Re-Sy.No.157. further phodi Re-Sy.No:157/2 measuring to an extent of 00-24 guntas and (2) Old Sy.No:7, Re-Sy.No:158, measuring to an extent of 1 acre, in total measuring 01 acres 24 Guntas, both the properties are situated at Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently bearing amalgamated BBMP Khata No.832/157/7/158, in ward No.160 of Hosakerehalli.
2.	Mr. Tripathi Pankaj Kumar (Borrower)	06.08.2020	16.03.2021	All that piece and parcel of **Residential 3 Bed Room** Apartment Bearing No. **A-302, in A- Block,** on the Second Floor, having/measuring 92.47 square metres of super built up area and 64.72 square metres of Carpet area and bearing E- Khata Number 150200101800422009 in the building known as **"PALM GROVES",** along with one covered car parking area of **9.75 Square meter** with proportionate share of **37 square metres** of undivided share, right title and interest in the land property on which this building is constructed, bearing Sy.No.315, totally measuring three (3) Acres Twelve (12) guntas which is a converted land for non-agricultural residential purpose vide order of the special deputy commissioner vide conversion order nos. ALN/SR(A)563/2004-05, dated 11.10.2005, ALN(K&A) SR14/2010-11, DATED 14.07.2010 AND ALN(K&A) SR15/2010-11, dated 14.07.2010, situated at Marasur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk.

This Public Notice is issued in view of the fact that **Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd (HDFC)** has not been able to communicate / establish contact with the aforesaid Borrower (s) / Legal heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) at his / her / their last known address as per **HDFC**'s records.

Whereas the Authorised Officer of **HDFC** in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) has issued Demand Notice (s) to the Borrower (s) / Legal heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) on the dates mentioned above.

On the Borrower (s) / Legal heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) failure to comply with the said Demand Notice (s) within the period set out therein, the Authorized Officer of **HDFC** has taken over possession of the immovable property (ies) / Secured Asset (s) more particularly described in the said Demand Notice (s), under Section 13 (4) of the SARFAESI Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on the dates mentioned above.

At the time of taking over possession of the said immovable property (ies) / Secured Asset (s), the Authorised Officer of **HDFC** has drawn up an inventory of personal belongings and household goods lying therein, copy whereof can be collected from the undersigned on any working day during office hours.

In the circumstances, Notice is hereby given, to the said Borrower (s)/ Legal heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to forthwith remove the personal belongings / household goods lying in the aforesaid immovable property (ies) / Secured Asset (s)) within 10 (ten) days from the date hereof, failing which the Authorised Officer will have no other option but to remove the personal belongings/household goods and dispose off /deal with it in the manner as may be deemed fit, entirely at the Borrower (s) / Legal heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) risk as to cost and consequences, in which event, no claim will be entertained in this regard in future.

Date: 25.09.2022 **For Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.**
Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorised Officer**

TTD has a total of 960 properties spread across 7,123 acres and valued approximately at ` 85,705 crore, Trust Board Chairman YV Subba Reddy said on Saturday. He announced that a white paper, elaborating on TTD's properties, would be uploaded to the website.

HARTAL VIOLENCE PREMEDITATED: KERALA CM

UDF, BJP come down heavily on government, police file 281 cases, arrest 1,013 people

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ T'Puram/Thrissur/Kochi

THE PFI hartal and widespread violence across the state on Friday triggered a major political debate in the state on Saturday. Taking strong exception, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan termed the violence during hartal unprecedented and premeditated. He, however, rubbished the Opposition charges, saying the state police were able to effectively tackle the violence. Earlier in the day, the UDF and BJP came down heavily on the government alleging police failure in preventing violence. Meanwhile, the police have so far registered 281 cases in connection with the violence and arrested 1013 people.

Popular Front of India leaders being escorted out after being produced before the Kochi NIA court on Saturday | A SANESH

Addressing the Kerala Police Officers' Association state in Thiruvananthapuram on Saturday, Pinarayi strongly criticised violence by PFI workers. Accusing the PFI of pre-planned violence, he said there was a deliberate attempt to disrupt the state's peaceful atmosphere. "The PFI activists carried out masked attacks. Some were arrested and the rest will be brought to book soon," Vijayan said, adding, "Both minority and majority communalism should be opposed."

Condemning the hartal violence, Leader of Opposition V D Satheesan accused Pinarayi of encouraging communalism in the state. "The attack on public property, especially causing damage to KSRTC buses, is unacceptable. It is unfortunate that the state machinery couldn't resist attacks," he said in Thrissur. Terming Pinarayi's anti-communal stand fake, Satheesan said it would be exposed soon. "It should be discussed whether banning PFI will be the end of the problem. RSS and the PFI are two sides of the same coin," he said.

ACTIVIST WRITES TO DC

Civic body releases dogs into forest

SUBHASH CHANDRA NS @ Karwar

A DOG menace mitigation measure by the Haliyal Municipality has sparked anger among animal and dog lovers, as hundreds of stray dogs were released into the nearby Yellapur forest. An animal rights activist Yograj Marathe has written to Uttara Kannada DC Mullai Muhilan, Maneka Gandhi's People for Animals and other animal activists urging action against the municipality for alleged animal cruelty.

In his letter, Marathe said that the authorities have abandoned the dogs in the forests so that they can either end up as a prey for wild animals or starve to death. "On September 22, the municipality staffers lifted the dogs in a cruel manner by tying rope around their necks, almost strangling them. They were also beaten up, and taken in a small vehicle measuring 6 ft by 4 ft. They were left to die in hunger and thirst in a thick forest area, violating law. When the employees were questioned, they replied saying they are following the orders of the Chief officer of Haliyal Municipal Council Parshuram Shinde," he said. Marathe has also marked a copy to the animal welfare helpline (AHVS). Wildlife experts said that stray dogs, which are prone to diseases, may transmit it among wildlife, hinder a carnivore from hunting, or drive away a predator.

A stray dog being dragged by the neck using a rope | EXPRESS

In April 2016, the then PCCF (wildlife) BJ Hosmath instructed the Conservator of Forests of Bengaluru and Mysuru Circles to warn the civic authorities against such actions. When contacted Muhilan said that he will look into the matter.

SP's fake Insta a/c demands money, blocked

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

AN IPS officer was trapped by cyber fraudsters, who created a fake Instagram account of Belagavi Superintended of police Dr Sanjeev Patil.

The fraudsters asked persons to send money through digital wallet. Patil, who was alerted that an account 'Dr. Sanjeev M Patil, IPS dcpwestbengaluru_' has been created, blocked the account immediately. He also shared some suggestions on how to block such fake accounts.

Patil, who was Bengaluru West Zone DCP before taking over his current posting, has no account on Instagram. The people were requested in his name to give Rs 7,500 on a mobile number through e-wallets.

He also asked his followers to block the account.

On his official Twitter account, Patil said that a fake Instagram account using his name and photo has been created, and the fraudsters are demanding money. He suggested that citizens should be alert about accounts demanding money on social media, and block them.

FULL SYLLABUS

75% must attendance is back

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MEANWHILE, examinations which were held in June-July in 2021-22, will now be held in March-April. The 75% compulsory attendance requirement has also been reintroduced to make students eligible to write examinations. "At least 75% attendance is mandatory as per the days scheduled by the school, to write the exams. The question paper format of SSLC examination from 2019-2020 will be followed in the current academic year (2022-23), without any changes in the level of rigour," the guidelines stated.

It also said repeat students will need to study the complete syllabus stipulated this year and will not be allowed to write the examinations based on the reduced syllabus of the previous years.

Dr SRINIVAS FROM YADGIR APPOINTED AIIMS DIRECTOR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

Students of Government New Kannada Proudha Shaale in Yadgir gather to congratulate Dr M Srinivas (left) on Saturday | EXPRESS

DR M Srinivas, appointed director to the prestigious All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) on Friday, is from under-developed Yadgir district. His elevation proves that those who have studied in government schools and that too in Kannada medium can also reach highest levels in academics and any other field they choose.

The Department of Personnel and Training of the Union government stated in the order that Dr Srinivas will serve as director for five years or till attaining the age of 65. He assumed charge on Saturday, his brother Dr Nagaraj told *The New Sunday Express*. Dr Srinivas is the first person from the Kalyana-Karnataka region to become the director of AIIMS.

Son of Ashappa, he was born on August 11, 1966. He studied at the Government Model Primary School at Station Bazar locality and later as a Kannada medium student at the Government New Kannada Proudha Shaale in Yadgir. He completed his PU from the Government PU College in Yadgir. A brilliant student all along, he got a seat at the Vijayanagar Institute of Medical Sciences where he completed his MBBS. Later, he pursued his MS in Davanagere and then MCh at AIIMS.

Dr Nagaraj said his elder brother was a gold medallist in MBBS and MS courses. "Our father was a government servant and retired as a tahsildar. He was an admirer of government schools and especially of Kannada language. That is why he admitted Srinivas to a government school. Srinivas was hardworking and always dreamt of achieving something big," he added.

Students and staff of New Kannada Proudha Shale congratulated Dr Srinivas by assembling on the school premises and holding up his posters. VIMS is planning a felicitation function soon, sources said.

Medical college to be constituent of Ramaiah university

The Karnataka HC said an impugned order on August 26, 2022 by the Department of Medical College will not prevent MS Ramaiah Medical College's activities as a constituent college of MS Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences. On September 20, 2022, the court extended the interim order passed on September 13, 2022, till the next date of hearing after Dasara, said the press release. While passing the interim order after hearing the petition filed by Gokula Education Foundation, MS Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences and MS Ramaiah Medical College, the court had issued notices to Departments of Health, Higher Education, RGUHS and Director of Medical Education (DME), and permitted them to file objections.

Forest department may give compensation

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OFFICIALS said as villagers don't have gomala lands and deemed forests to graze their cattle, incidents of trespassing are increasing. The forest department is considering giving compensation to the kin of the deceased, even though he entered the forest illegally.

The Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary is one of the largest wildlife sanctuaries spread across 1.20 lakh hectares. The forest patch has over 200 leopards and 20 tigers. There are 38 villages inside the sanctuary and another 80 on the fringes. The forest is also frequented by tourists who visit Mekedatu, Sangam, Galibore and Bheemeshwari Jungle Lodges and Resorts, and some waterfalls.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Tender Notice No. CAO/CN/BNC/78/2022
Dated:19-09-2022
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites Tenders for the following work:

Name of work	Approx. Value
Electrical arrangements for extension of dedicated 11 KV HT Feeder additionally as per BESCOM directives for facilitating reliable power supply at SMVB (Sir M.Visvesvaraya Terminal - Baiyyapanahalli, Bengaluru) Tender No. ECN-28-2022	Rs. 1,28,26,370/-

Last date for submission of bids: Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 14-10-2022
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer/Construction Bengaluru Cantonment
PUB/383/AAD/PRB/SWR/2022-23
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

EAST COAST RAILWAY
Tender No. SNTGSUWATAUTOVZMCPP0122
Name of Work: PROVISION OF AUTOMATIC BLOCK SIGNALLING SYSTEM IN VIZIANAGARAM(VZM)-CHIPURUPALLI (CPP) SECTION WITH EI ALTERATION AT NELLIMERLA (NML), CHIPURUPALLI (CPP) STATIONS OF WALTAIR DIVISION OF EAST COAST RAILWAY.
Advertised Value: ₹24,94,83,525/-, EMD : ₹13,97,400/-, Period of Completion: 09 Months, Validity of Offer (Days): 60.
Bidding Start Date: 26.09.2022, Tender Closing Date & Time: at 1200hrs. of 10.10.2022
No manual offers sent by Post / Courier / Fax or in person shall be accepted against such e-tenders even if these are submitted on firm's letterhead and received in time. All such manual offers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected summarily without any consideration.
Complete information including e-tender documents of the above e-tender is available in website http://www.ireps.gov.in
Note: The prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website 07 (seven) days before the date of closing of tender to note any changes/ corrigenda issued for this tender.
Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer (GSU)/ Waltair
PR-107/CF/22-23

CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR RESEARCH IN AYURVEDIC SCIENCES Ministry of AYUSH
Government of India
J.L.N.B.C.E.H. Anusadhan Bhawan, No. 61-65, Institutional Area, Opp. "D" Block, Janakpuri, New Delhi – 110058
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Tel: 011-28525852
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PANCHKARMA TECHNICIAN COURSE
Extension of last date of application up to 10th October, 2022
The Last date for applying in Panchkarma Technician Course conducted by CCRAS, Ministry of AYUSH, Govt. of India, New Delhi at following 4 Training Centres i.e. (1) CARI, New Delhi (10 Seats), (2) NARIP, Cheruthuruthy (30 Seats), (3) RARI, Jammu (15 Seats) & (4) CARI, Guwahati (10 Seats) affiliated to Healthcare Sector Skill Council (HSSC) - National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has been extended by 10th October, 2022.
Please visit the Council's website www.ccras.nic.in for the details of the Advertisement, Application Form, Course, How to apply, Course Fee, Age limit and Reservation etc.
CBC 17216/12/0016/2223
Administrative Officer (Estt.)

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
e-Auction Notice Commercial Contract/ 'e'-Auction/2022
Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial), Southern Railway, Chennai Division, Chennai - 600 003, calls e-auction for Commercial Contracts at the following Railway Stations/locations. The details of e-Auctions for contracts are as follows:-

Sl. No.	E-Auction Catalogue Name	Station/Site	e-Auction Date & Time
1.	MAS-PARKING-63	Anuppambattu (296.7 Sq. M)	17.10.2022 @ 11:30 Hrs
2	MAS-PARKING-65	Tirumullaivayil (542 Sq. M)	18.10.2022 @ 11:30 Hrs
3	MAS-PARKING-66	Tambaram West 2 Wheeler (3601 Sq. M)	13.10.2022 @11:30 Hrs
4	PAUT-MAS-OC-04	Dr. M.G.R. Chennai Central - Old Concourse	06.10.2022 @ 11:30 Hrs
5	MAS-ATM-MAS-1	Dr. M.G.R. Chennai Central	12.10.2022 @ 11:30 Hrs
e-Tender			
1	COMML 22130	Loco HLC (5 Locos)	14.10.2022 @ 15:30 Hrs
2	COMML 22131	Loco Non-HLC (5 Locos)	
3	COMML 22132	Loco Non-HLC (5 Locos)	
4	COMML 22133	Loco HLC (5 Locos)	

Note : (MAS-PARKING-62) Tambaram West 2 Wheeler (3601 Sq. m) which was scheduled for e-Auction on 14-10-2022 is now re-scheduled to 13-10-2022. All other details can be viewed in the website www.ireps.gov.in
Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Southern Railway, Chennai - 600 003.
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SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Auction No. MYS-ATM-Sep-2, MYS-PnU-Sep-4. MYS-PnU-Sep-5, MYS-COML-SLR-10, PARKING-PANP, PARKING-HLN-9
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites Bidders to participate in E-Auctions for contracts of ATM, Pay and Use toilet, Parcels & Parking contract as per the above schedule on 29-09-2022, 03-10-2022, 04-10-2022 & 07-10-2022.

Sl.	E-Auction Catalogue No.	Category/Sub-Category	Date & Time of E-Auctioning
1	MYS-ATM-SEP-2	ATM/ATM-General	03-10-2022 & 11:00 Hrs.
2	MYS-PnU-SEP-4	Pay N Use/ Pay and Use-Toilets	03-10-2022 & 13:00 Hrs.
3	MYS-PnU-SEP-5	Pay N Use/ Pay and Use-Toilets	07-10-2022 & 11:00 Hrs.
4	MYS-COML-SLR-10	Parcel/SLR	03-10-2022 & 12:00 Hrs.
5	PARKING-PANP	Parking/ Parking-Mixed	29-09-2022 & 12:00 Hrs.
6	PARKING-HLN-9	Parking/ Parking-Mixed	04-10-2022 & 12:00 Hrs.

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
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IN THE COURT OF THE 73rd ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL, & SESSIONS JUDGE AT MAYO HAILL, BANGALORE CCH-74 O.S No. 26327/2021
Between: HDFC LIMITED, Having its Registered Office at Ramon House, H.T. Parek Marg, 169 Backbeat Reclamation, Church gate Mumbai-400020 interalia Having its Branch a office at 'HDFC House' No. 51, Kasturba Road, Bengaluru - 560001. ...Plaintiff
- AND -
Dr. Hazra M.A & Ors, ...Defendants
NOTICE To DEFENDANT NO.1&2
To:
Dr. Hazra M.A, Aged about 56 years, W/o: Fahad Majeed, R/a #No.12, "G" Block, 1st Cross, Kanakanagar, Bangalore-560032.
And at: Flat No. X1001, Floor 10, Block No.X, Urbana Avenue Kannamangala Village, Devanahalli, Bangalore -562157.
Also at: Fortis Hospital Limited, No. 14, Cunningham Road, Bangalore 560052.
Defendant No. 1
Mr. Fahad Majeed, Aged about 38 years, S/o Kasar M Abdul Majeed R/a No. 12, "G" Block, 1st Cross, Kanakanagar, Bangalore-560032.
And at: Flat No. X1001, Floor 10, Block No. X, Urbana Avenue, Kannamangala Village, Devanahali, Bangalore -562157.
Also at: Ozone Group, No.38, Ulsoor Road. Bangalore-560042.
Defendant No. 2
Whereas the Plaintiif has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of Rs.48,30,268/- as on 12/08/2021 along with interest at 9.4% p.a and other consequential reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear before the 73rd Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge, Mayo Hall Unit, Bangalore (CCH 74) in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on 31-10-2022 at 11 A.M. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Court, this 20th day of September 2022.
By Order of the Court
Sd/- Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall Unit Bangalore
Advocate for Plaintiff
Shiva & Co. Advocates,
No. 109-Commerce House,
9/1, Cunningham Road, Bangalore-560052

RELIGARE FINVEST LTD
REGD OFFICE: First Floor, P-14 45/90, P-Block, Connaught Place, New Delhi
BRANCH OFFICE: 248, 2nd Floor, Samhita Plaza 80 Feet Road, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560 038. Ph: 080-40769500
To, Maruthi Engineering Co, through its Proprietor Mr.Balappa, R/o.604, Near Biocon Factory, Hebbagodi, Bangalore South Electronics City, Bangalore, Karnataka-560100
Also At : Katha No.334/48, Hebbagodi Village, Survey No 48, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore, Karnataka -560099
Balappa S/o Chikkappaiah, Leela B W/o Balappa, R/o 604, Near Biocon Factory Hebbagodi, Bangalore South Elecronics City, Bangalore, Karnataka-560100
Also at : Katha No.334/48, Hebbagodi Village, Survey No 48, Attibele Hobli Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Karnataka-560099
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Also At: Katha No.334/48, Hebbagodi Village, Survey No 48, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka-560099.
POSSESSION NOTICE
Appendix IV rule 8 (1) of the SARFAESI Act
WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of M/s. RELIGARE FINVEST LIMITED, having its registered office at 1407, 14th Floor, Chiranjiv Tower, 43, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110 019, and also having Corporate office at 7th Floor, Max House Block A, Dr.JhaMargOkhla Phase –III, Okhla Industrial Estate, New Delhi – 110020 and its branch office at Samhita Plaza, No. 248, 80 Ft Road, Defence Colony, 2nd Floor, Indiranagar, Near CMH Hospital, Bengaluru, Karnataka -560038, (hereinafter referred to as "RFL") under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter "SARFAESI Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 25-03-2021 calling upon the borrowers 1. MARUTHI ENGINEERING CO., 2.LEELA B and 3. BALAPPA to repay the amount mentioned in the Demand Notice amounting to Rs.54,46,728.66/- (Rupees fifty four lakhs Forty Six Thousand Seven hundred and Twenty Eight and Paise Sixty Six only) under the Loan Account XMORKRM00062669 and Rs. 1,31,79,059.82 /- (Rupees One Crore Thirty One Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Fifty Nine and Paise Eighty Two Only) under the loan account no XMORKRM00055774 totaling a sum of Rs.1,86,25,788.48 (Rupees One Crore Eighty Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight and Paise Forty Eight Only) along with future interest within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers having failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said SARFAESI Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002, on this the 20th of September, 2022 at 12:05 pm.
The Borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of M/s Religare Finvest Limited, for an amount of being Rs.1,86,25,788.48 (Rupees One Crore Eighty Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight and Paise Forty Eight Only) with interests and other charges thereon.
The Borrower's and guarantors attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.
DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of Industrial Land, being part of Schedule 'A' property, comprised in Sy.no.48 and bearing Katha no.334/48, in the records of the Hebbagodi Village Panchayath, situated at Hebbagodi Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, measuring east to west (116+164)/2 feet, and north to south (8+60+42)/2 feet, totally measuring 6072 sq.ft, and bounded on:
East By: Main Road | West By: Village Road
North By: Property No.c-5 | South By: Internal Road
Date: 22/09/2022
Place: Bangalore
AUTHORIZED OFFICER
RELIGARE FINVEST LTD.

HDFC WITH YOU, RIGHT THROUGH
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties (Sale through e-bidding only)
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED
Branch: HDFC House, # 3-6-310, Hyderguda Road, Basheerbagh, HYDERABAD 500029
Tel: 040-64807999/9065/9094 CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916 Website: www.hdfc.com
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ties) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorised Officer of Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd.) Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as per the details mentioned below:
Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s)(since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in Column (A) under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd.) Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.HDFC.Com

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)	(I)
Sr. No.	Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Legal Heirs and Legal Representatives (whether known or unknown) Executor(s), Administrator(s), Successor(s) and Assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s) / Guarantor(s) (since deceased)	Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)*	Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)	Type of Possession	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.)	Date of Auction and time	Date and Time of Inspection of Secured Asset	Last Date of Bid Submission
1	Mr. SRIKANTH JADCHARLA (Borrower) Mr. ANIL KUMAR TURAGA (Power of Attorney Holder)	Rs.2,39,53,261/- (Rupees Two Crores Thirty Nine Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty One Only) dues as on 31-01-2020*	All that Plot No.348 admeasuring 444. Sq.Yards or 371.0 Sq.Mts with semi-finished villa of built-up area 3771 Sq.ft or 350.34 Sq Mtrs in the layout called "PARK VILLAS" situated in Survey No.738, situated at Ravalkole Village, Medchal Mandal, Medchal Malkajgiri District and bounded by: North: Plot No.349, South: Plot No.347, East: Plot No.341, West: 40' Wide Road. Contact Person: Mr. Khaja Pasha Md. Contact No. 9848520876.	Physical	91,02,000/- (Rupees Ninety One Lakhs Two Thousand Only)	9,10,200/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Ten Thousand and Two Hundred Only)	14/10/2022 at 12.30 AM to 01.30 PM (With Unlimited Extensions of 5 Minutes till sale is concluded)	08/10/2022 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM	12/10/2022 before 5.00 PM
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THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF INDIA'S POTHOLES

THE THIRD EYE

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THE word pothole owes its origin to Scandinavian and middle-English coinage. The lexicon defines it as "a depression or hollow in a road surface caused by wear or subsidence". The expression in French, nid-de-poule, literally means hen's nest, is far more colourful. These definitions though pre-date the Indian experience.

You could say India's potholes are a product of a warped interpretation of the Keynesian economic theory. In its essence, the theory requires governments to pay people to dig holes and then pay them to fill the holes to stimulate employment. Except in the potholes economy, there is no need to dig the holes. The potholes appear magically every year across India, whether in cities or on highways.

Typically, this year too, India's roads are pockmarked by lunar crater sized potholes. This week saw the municipal corporations of two of India's cities, Mumbai and Bengaluru and the PWD Department in Kerala were hauled up before courts. The courts were justifiably scathing in their observations, particularly Justice Devan Ramachandran of the Kerala High Court, who said, "Those stepping out should return home safely and alive, and not in a coffin."

In the Bombay High Court, the judges criticised the delays and deterioration in roads and directed the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation to survey the 20 worst roads and devise a plan to repair roads. In Bengaluru, the High Court gave the BBMP a deadline of 10 days to deliver on their promise to repair the roads.

It is instructive to note that judicial intervention, while welcome, has not shaken nor stirred the system. The issue of road conditions has made repeated appearances in courts for over a decade – for example, Ashwin Shah v BMC in 2009, Rakesh Tyagi v MCD 2011, Raju Thakkar v BMC 2013, Bombay High Court On Its Own Motion vs State Of Maharashtra 2015, Roshan Jacob Oommen v State Of Kerala 2016, Mustak Hussain v State of Gujarat 2018. There have also been cases in the Supreme Court (S.Rajaseekaran vs Union of India WP 295/2012) where the apex court has directed all states to file responses. While courts have taken cognisance of the gravity of the issue, the response of governments has often been tardy, resulting in follow-up cases and claims of contempt.

The statistical reports on accidents, injuries and lives lost in road accidents present an eloquent testimony to systemic apathy. Data available (from Ministry of Road Transport and the Supreme Court) reveals that 20,552 lives were lost between 2013 and 2020. Effectively, on an average, accidents caused by potholes claim 2500 lives every year.

Dark humour is a preferred route for folks to overcome their frustration and anger. Social media is rife with posts and memes on potholes. A resident of Kerala did photo shoots of a bride in all her finery walking the potholes ramp. A social worker in Udupi rolled on the streets as 'urulu seva' to protest against potholes. Mumbaikars posed with fishing rods across a pothole. Denizens in Bengaluru, India's start-up capital, took to geo-marking potholes, for instance, Abizer's pothole, on Google Maps.

It is not that the problem of potholes is unique to India and does afflict roads in other countries. What makes it significant in India is the scale of the problem. The magnitude is best reflected in a video shot by a reporter from Ballia in Uttar Pradesh – even as he was recording the state of roads, an e-rickshaw toppled over on camera dragging passengers under it. The very fact that posts of India's potholes are competing with images from Kenya, Ghana, Fiji and Uganda on Twitter symbolises the state of affairs.

Such is the persistence of corruption and inefficiency that India's cities have institutionalised annual allocations for pothole repairs. India's commercial capital, Mumbai, for instance, spent over ₹21,000 crore in two decades since 1998 – the budget for 2021 was over ₹1,500 crore. The allocation in national capital Delhi was ₹873 crore in 2020-21 and ₹1,041 crore in 2021-22. Bengaluru spent over ₹ 215 crore between 2018 and 2022.

The cost to the economy is visible but yet to be computed. What could be the GDP of the pothole economy? The picture of what is actually spent for pothole repairs by cities, state public works departments, and agencies in the central government is opaque. Indeed the price being paid by the economy – from repairs to lost livelihoods to fuel consumption due to delays – merits a study by the Niti Ayog on inefficiency and wastage in the use of taxpayer monies.

There is little doubt that the political economy of potholes is expanding. And it is expanding despite the presence of elected representatives in local governments, municipal bodies and in state assemblies. For years now institutes and institutions – the IITs, the CRR-CSIR and other bodies - have examined the cause of potholes and submitted reports suggesting mitigating measures. Clearly, there are gaps in systemic checks – no doubt engineered by rent seekers – on award of contracts in oversight of execution.

The divorce of authority and accountability perpetuates third-world imagery. India is paying a heavy price in lives lost and erosion of public monies. The expectation of accountability for the use of public monies rests on questions being asked by those obliged and mandated to do so. That is not happening.

WESTERN HINDUPHOBIA IS AN ENVIOUS BACKLASH

POWER & POLITICS

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AVARICE and belief were the two engines of the British Raj. The first to feed the growing imperial beast. The second was the conviction that the white man was superior to the races he conquered, and it was his duty to civilise them by replacing the natives of their indigenous culture and religion with the narrow morality of Victorian imperialism. Rudyard Kipling had a poetic phrase for this —the White Man's Burden.

That was in fin de siècle British India. Little would he have guessed that the sun would be setting on the Empire in about 50 years. Even after decolonisation, the West continues to be the arbiter of morality and racial responsibility. For the past few weeks, parts of England have been engulfed in communal clashes between Hindus and Muslims. Yet the British elite and its malicious media maintain a dishonourable distance from targeted violence against Hindus. They feel that Hindus must learn civility and tolerance even as their counterparts in faith destroy their temples. Over the past few years, not just England but most European countries are witnessing ugly Hinduphobia. 'Hindu Matters In Britain', which works to promote Hindu interests, defines Hinduphobia as "the complete range of Hinduphobic acts (that) extends from microaggressions to genocide. Hinduphobic projects include the destruction and desecration of Hindu sacred spaces; aggressive and forced proselytisation of Hindu populations; targeted violence towards Hindu people, community institutions, and organisations; and ethnic cleansing and genocide." A 2022 House of Commons report incidentally notes that though Muslims make up 4% of the UK's population, 18% of British criminals are Muslim.

Leicester burned as Islamists attacked Hindus, their originations and temples for three consecutive days. A crowd of cricket fans in Leicester publicly celebrated India's victory over Pakistan in the T20 match on August 28. Illiberals blamed the festivities as expressions of 'Hindutva extremism' and 'anti-Muslim chanting'. However, a week later, when temples were attacked after Pakistan's victory over India, UK's white establishment didn't condemn the aggressors. Leicester East MP Claudia Webbe even wrote to the Police Chief Constable, committing her endorsement for the Federation of Muslim Organisations. Leicester has the largest concentration of Hindus. However, it is a Labour Party constituency with 50 members viz one from the Tories. This is despite 22% of Labor voters in a survey calling Islam a threat. Nearly 32% thought there were "no-go areas" in Britain under sharia. A report noted that 5000 Britons converted to Islam a year—it's the UK's fastest growing religion.

Islamic fundamentalists oppose the visits of the Hindu Parivar leaders with impunity. Early this month, when Sadhvi Ritambhara was in London to address a gathering, massive protests broke out. In 2008, a determined cabal of anti India leaders was responsible for cancelling Narendra Modi's UK visa just as he was about to board a flight to London. Earlier this year, Rashmi Samant, the first Indian woman to be elected as the president of Oxford University Union, was hounded by the Left and Islamists because of her social media views. She was forced to quit both the varsity and the country after a diatribe from a faculty member. Despite over 119 British Hindu organisations sending a signed letter to 10 Downing Street seeking action against the academician for his "Hindu hatred and bigoted views", Boris Johnson played possum. Ironically, not many Right Wing, nationalist Oxford Alumni in India supported Samant. The Indian High Commission did squat and stuck to secular diplomacy. However, she received massive support from local Indian organisations.

Britain's skewed immigration policies, which allowed people from their former colonies, led to the rise of Muslim ghettos controlled by extremists. The Islamisation of British education made some schools ban the greeting "Merry Christmas!" to avoid offending Muslim students. A new book, "Among the Mosques", notes that from the UK's first two mosques in Liverpool in 1887, there are now 2,000. As Hinduism asserts itself globally, and in England particularly, it is facing widespread attacks from lawmakers. Former British Home Secretary Priti Patel faced vicious attacks from Muslims and whites in her country. Labour Party MPs led by Naz Shah charged her with exploiting her Indian heritage to "gaslight" the "very real racism" faced by Muslims. Another Labour Party leader Navendu Mishra had shared a report that acknowledged "research by the 1928 Institute which revealed that 80% of British Indians have faced prejudice because of their Indian identity, with Hinduphobia the most prevalent". Numerous such surveys indicate the growing threat to Indian Hindus in the West. The reasons for the toxic hate aren't difficult to define. The rising influence of Indians on global business, commerce, technology and academics stick in the craw of rival communities suffering from inferiority complex. One report says that about 30 per cent of the CEOs of the top Fortune 500 companies are of Indian origin. Over 15 per cent of the global GDP is generated by companies owned or managed by Indians. Over 10 per cent of the faculty in top western academic Institutions has an Indian pedigree. British Hindus topped the Sunday Times Rich List this year. Hindus hold numerous key political and administrative posts. Barring a few fringe elements, most of them practice tolerance and pluralism, as expounded by Swami Vivekananda, who orated in America, "The fault with all religions like Christianity is that they have one set of rules for all. But the Hindu religion is suited to all grades of religious aspiration and progress. It contains all the ideals in their perfect form."

Detractors of Hinduism have realised that Vivekananda's words can be countered only by spreading canards against the Hindu way of life. Since whites who ruled the world for centuries are now forced to earn and learn from non-whites, Hinduism is being targeted out of envy. Hinduism's detractors forget that it's a civilisation older than most Western societies. The collateral gain of international economics is expanding global acceptance of Hinduism as an essential tool for unity in diversity. Bhrasht Karma is a bitch, as the saying goes: the UK's Christian population is falling (8.3 percentage points) as the Muslim population grew to 5.7 per cent by 2021—an estimated 3,369,400 Muslims. Hindus are at 1.7 per cent. The British colonial strategy was Divide and Rule, which laid the foundations of the present sub-continental strife that escalated during the Partition. They expected India to be turned into a permanent communal battlefield. Now, the Empire's post colonial brown children with both mesmerising mind and money are returning the favour with bloodbaths on Leicester's streets. Kipling may be turning in his grave as whites are becoming the Brown Man's Burden. It's a different Jungle Book now, populated by beasts of hatred to both India's heritage and success.

THE SAGA OF OVER COMMUNICATION

OPINION

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TWO books ordered from a local e-commerce portal started their journey from two different cities to my humble abode in Bengaluru. From the moment I placed the order to the delivery time, I received 28 emails, as many SMSs, if not more and some WhatsApp messages. This is not counting the spam emails I will receive to push other products the portal sells. I was informed of every movement of the books until they were delivered, followed by delivery confirmation and finally a feedback request on the delivery process and then on the product.

Email volume multiplies when the company that takes the order, the one that packs and ships it and the one that delivers at your doorstep are different, leaving you confused about who is delivering which order and when.

This is a process with a normal delivery when no packages are lost, delivered at the wrong address, or a wrong product is delivered, leading to a whole new process of return and refund. Apart from a few big e-tailers, I, as a consumer, have no control over these messages. I can't stop them or tell the e-commerce portal that I am ok with no messages till the date of delivery. I am a rare shopper online, and I wonder how people manage when they place every order online almost daily.

It awakened me to the environmental hazards I am contributing by making two books travel painstakingly towards me. I told myself these rare books, and the cost of travelling to these cities to buy these books is far more. I did resolve not to order something I could buy online closer to my home.

When I trade in the stock market, a similar flurry of messages flood from my demat service provider, from associated banks, NSDL and a few other agencies. I am lost in the flood of messages. For some banks, even logging into the account requires dealing with multiple OTP messages and then updating on every movement online on every possible messaging system. Booking a flight is no different from the number of messages you have to deal with until you board the flight.

Too many messages confuse me. If something has gone wrong, am I missing something? For example, whenever an airline sends a message with Important written in bold letters, you wonder if the flight is cancelled or rescheduled or if you are too late. It takes time to realise that these are default automated messages asking you to come three hours before the flight, making you question if the flight is indeed saving me time. Eventually, you learn to ignore.

The government of India is not far behind in spamming email folders with their updates. The concept of consent or voluntary subscription does not exist with them. Yes, I can unsubscribe most of the time, but they keep coming back in different forms and shapes. Add to it all the WhatsApp and Telegram forwards in family and friends groups. They can consume all your time and energy.

The situation becomes stressful when vulnerable senior citizens get alarmed with too much technology. In a way, these messages are also creating ample space for fraud and cheating. It is easy to slip in an innocent-looking message in the barrage of messages just by copying their formats. You can even design a message that aims to help you, and all you need to do is share some random numbers associated with your account or click a link that looks legit. Educating seniors is not simple as that generation trusts easily.

Are we over communicating? Is it because technology makes it easy and, on the face of it, comes at a near zero cost? Is this the optimal or exploitative use of automation, as every touch-point automatically triggers these messages? Technology has brought down the cost of sending messages. However, that is just the technology or communication cost. What about the opportunity and nuisance cost of those receiving the messages?

Then, are there environmental costs of servers creating, storing and communicating these billions of messages? Yes, the power consumption and heat generated by the servers, equipment to cool them and additional hardware required for safe computing and storage cause as much environmental damage as travelling in a polluting vehicle. There is also the end-of-life disposal cost of electronic goods involved in this chain, from servers to clouds to our mobile phones.

Does a customer need to know every move the mundane product is making? Is it helping me save time and effort that were my first drivers to shop or bank from the comfort of my home? Are you losing my attention with too many messages and too much advertising?

The obvious answer to the problem is another layer of technology that lets you control the level of messages you want to receive. Maybe, technology companies need to put a price tag on messages to discourage the mindless use they have to pay for. That may seem like an easy way to address the problem, but in reality, we need basic common sense or what in Sanskrit we call vivek. Those at the sending end must be aware of the receiver's world, their needs, psychology and plight and respect their time.

QUOTE CORNER

I have never been asked by any Iranian president – and I have interviewed every single one of them since 1995 – to wear a head scarf. I very politely declined on behalf of myself and CNN, and female journalists everywhere because it is not a requirement

Christiane Amanpour, CNN's chief international anchor

Everybody calling each other GOAT, GOAT, GOAT, GOAT, GOAT, GOAT. I'm like, Come on, OK? There cannot be possibly that many GOATs. In Switzerland, we have a lot of them, but they're in the fields

Roger Federer, Swiss tennis ace

Japan will relax border control measures to be on par with the US

Fumio Kishida, Prime Minister of Japan

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Iran hijab protests

Mahsa Amini has become the symbol of the oppression that women have been facing in Iran. Iranian women are standing up against the statutory law which requires them to wear headscarves and conceal their hair. This rule of compulsory hijabs is misogynistic and leads to them being constantly watched over by the illiberal "moral-police. Let this be an example to the rest of the world to not let religious fanaticism grow to such an extent that it curbs basic human rights.

Meera K Ajay, Bengaluru

Bhagwat's masjid visit

RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat can never be faulted for being communal, at least going by his recent public utterances. He always speaks for and swears by Hindu-Muslim unity in the country. He has now walked the talk by visiting for the first time a mosque and a madrasa in Delhi, and paying his respects and regards there. More such outreaches by Hindu leaders are needed to alleviate the misunderstandings, if any, in the minds of Muslims against BJP/RSS.

P Mangalachandran, Kannur

UDF's victory prospects

Apropos of the editorial Kerala receptive to Rahul but he has questions to answer (Sept 23). I feel the Congress-led UDF has a fair chance of coming to power in Kerala more due to the misdeeds of the highly personified Pinarayi Vijayan-led LDF Government than the committed efforts of the GOP. As far as national politics is concerned a strong united opposition which can throw a challenge to BJP in 2024 elections is the need of the hour for an effective Indian democracy. Congress with its pan-India presence is the only party which can play a leadership role towards that end. However, whether or not a reluctant, part-time politician like Rahul Gandhi can, through the Bharath Jodo Yatra, contribute anything for that, is the key question.

Mohan Kunnakat, Vaniamkulam

PFI hartal

Kerala HC rightly registered a suo motu case against the 'illegal' hartal by PFI. The PFI rampage exemplifies dangerous situation wherein misguided elements are indulging in irreligious acts. As cited by HC, the government should treat such flash hartals as anti-national or anti-social acts and deal with them with an iron fist.

B Veerakumaran Thampi, Thiruvananthapuram

Govt hospital woes

This is with reference to Power cut during C-section at GH leaves woman critical (September 23). The appalling conditions prevailing in government-run hospitals have to be seen to be believed. That human life has no value is best illustrated here. Highlighting the 'achievements' of the GHs alone won't do. The state Health Minister should also address the grey areas. The non-availability of a generator set, to meet emergency situations, speaks volumes about red-tapism.

P.G. Menon, Chennai

Spam messages

This refers to "Coming soon: relief from spam calls and fraudulent messages". Spam calls and messages are indeed vexatious. The action by the government is warranted. Many people fall prey to such messaging scams. It is also prudent to create awareness among the people who are oblivious of such subterfuge, especially the unlettered who use smartphones.

Aanya Singhal, Noida

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Tejashwi Yadav @yadavtejashwi
Chief Minister (Nitish Kumar) has directed to provide quality education and to fill 2 lakh vacant posts of teachers in a phased manner

Priyanka Gandhi @priyankagandhi
What happened in U'khand is heart-wrenching. With dreams girls go out of their homes to work, but such criminals attack their spirits

Jyotiraditya Scindia @JM_Scindia
Tributes to the great freedom fighter and the icon of women empowerment in India, Madam Bhikaji Cama ji on her birth anniversary

Modi and Truss in contact for Free Trade pact

Since Truss was instrumental in initiating the FTA, there is optimism of a deal being in sight by Diwali

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister of the United Kingdom Liz Truss has been in regular communication with Prime Minister Narendra Modi to discuss various issues linked to the ongoing Free Trade Agreement (FTA) talks between India and UK that is slated to meet the Diwali deadline soon.

Sources privy to the development on the FTA talks say that the momentum over the negotiations has gained strength.

"Since the fifth round of talks for the FTA got over in Delhi in August, negotiations and talks have gained momentum and talks are going on literally round-the-clock. PM Truss and PM Modi have been in touch over this. At present, a team of senior Indian officials is in the UK for discussing the FTA which is expected to meet its Diwali deadline," said sources, adding that since Truss was instrumental in initiating the FTA, there is optimism of the deadline being met.

The optimism is such that sources say that once the talks and negotiations are over, Prime Minister Modi is likely to travel to UK for the signing of the agreement, most probably next month.

The FTA agreement is estimated to double India-UK bilateral trade to $100 billion by 2030.

"The focus areas of the FTA include mobility, sustainable energy, technology, education, food and beverage amongst other sectors," Richard Heald, Executive Chair of the UK India Business Council told this newspaper.

With a strong momentum of growth, and India being pitched as becoming the third largest economy in the next few decades, the FTA will be an added advantage.

"The momentum of growth is strong in India. There are a number of factors that are involved in the FTA — one of the foremost is the ease of doing business. There has been a lot of improvement on this front since 2008 as digitisation, permits and permissions have been helpful in clearing way for it," Heald added.

Successful negotiation of an India-UK FTA would enable more UK and Indian businesses to sell their products and services to more customers across both countries. It would also facilitate greater collaboration between UK and Indian companies opening further opportunities, including those Third World countries. This will translate into more jobs, growth and prosperity in both countries.

The FTA is one part of the wider India-UK economic relationship under the Comprehensive Strategic Roadmap agreed by Prime Minister Modi and former Prime Minister Boris Johnson in May 2021.

"To truly maximise the growing potential of the bilateral relationship, our countries have agreed to work together under the 2030 Roadmap across trade and investment, healthcare, climate action, defence and security, and the unique people-to-people connect or living bridge, that binds our countries together," added Heald.

The Ministry of External Affairs had publicly aknowledged Modi-Truss talks when Modi on September 11 called Truss.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke to newly appointed Prime Minister of the UK, Liz Truss, and the two leaders committed to further strengthen the comprehensive strategic partnership between India and the UK," a MEA statement had said.

ASHOK GEHLOT

OBC FACE LIKELY TO BE NON-GANDHI CONG PRESIDENT

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

SOURAV ROY

RAJASTHAN CM Ashok Gehlot is no stranger to headlines but this time he is in the news for a unique reason. His name has been doing the rounds to be the next Congress president. This week Rahul Gandhi turned down the request to return as the President of the party. Gehlot is now the front runner for the top post in the AICC and after 25 years, he will be the only non-Gandhi face, who will head the Congress.

Soft-spoken and ever-smiling Ashok Gehlot was born on May 3, 1951, and comes from a modest OBC background in the Jodhpur district, the heartland of Western Rajasthan. Gehlot started his public life in the hospitals of Jodhpur, meeting the patients admitted from far-flung villages and writing letters to their family members. Gehlot caught the attention of the Congress leadership when he was seen working in refugee camps in East Bengal in 1971. He was spotted by Indira Gandhi and rose quickly through the Congress ranks after becoming NSUI president.

Due to the anti-incumbency wave owing to the Emergency when no Congress leader wanted to contest the elections, 26-year-old Ashok Gehlot easily got the ticket from Sardarpura seat of Jodhpur. In 1977, he lost the assembly elections. During the 1980 Lok Sabha elections, many senior leaders were opposing Indira Gandhi. Then 29-year-old young Ashok Gehlot was fielded by Indira Gandhi in the Lok Sabha elections. Gehlot won and this became the period of his rise.

Gehlot is a keen believer of Gandhian philosophy and is committed to following his ideology in his style of functioning. Gehlot is known for his organisational skills and was one of the youngest to become PCC chief at the age of 35. After the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi, when the non-experienced Sonia Gandhi wanted the support of all the big leaders, many protested. At that time Gehlot stood by Sonia. He became a confidant of Sonia Gandhi .

Though he had a major victory in 1998, but the party lost the next state Assembly elections in 2003. Similarly, he became CM for the second time in 2008 and the party was routed in the state in 2013. His critics say that one of the weaknesses of the veteran Congress stalwart is that when he is in power he gets surrounded by a coterie and then there is centralization of power. His first tenure was dominated by Gehlot versus Jats, second tenure was dominated by Gehlot versus C P Joshi and the third tenure has been dominated by Gehlot versus Sachin Pilot tussles.

In 2005, when he took out a 400 km journey from Sabarmati to Dandi, Gehlot was sent as a coordinator. When elections took place in Gujarat in 2017, he was sent as in-charge. Gehlot brought the weak Congress to the brink of victory. He sent MLAs to Karnataka and ensured Ahmed Patel victory in the Rajya Sabha elections from Gujarat. His governance reflects a deep commitment to social welfare schemes. The credit of implementing the first free medicine scheme in the country in Rajasthan also goes to Gehlot, which has been followed by many states as a model. Moreover, Indira Awas Yojna for the poor, food for 8 rupees through Indira Rasoi, Rajiv Gandhi English Medium school, and Chiranjeevi scheme with health insurance of ₹10 lakh are all successful schemes run by Gehlot government.

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He is called the 'Man of the Organisation'. the challenge before Gehlot is to rebuild the Congress organization in the country at the booth and block level.

If all goes well, he will take over the reins of the party at a time when the weakest position of the party is in the Hindi belt. There is a Congress government in Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh. The party is in power through allies in Bihar and Jharkhand. In states like Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Bengal, UP, Uttarakhand, Delhi, Maharashtra, and Assam, the party's hold is continuously loosening. All eyes will be on how the Congress veteran known as the magician of Rajasthan's politics takes the challenge to revive the grand old party so that it can challenge BJP in 2024 Lok Sabha Elections.

To strengthen the unity of the opposition, we will have to fight the nationalism and Hindutva movement of the BJP by engaging with other parties.

MIZORAM

Assam Rifles confiscates huge cache of meth tablets

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Assam Rifles has succeeded in confiscating a large consignment of Methamphetamine Tablets on Friday in Mizoram which is said to be the highest recovery in the state so far.

In a joint operation carried out by a joint team of Serchhip Battalion of the force and Zokhawthar Police, based on specific information, recovered Methamphetamine tablets (5,05,000 tablets, total weight — 55.80 kgs) worth ₹167,86,20,000 — in the area of Melbuk village, Champhai district on Friday. The total recovery of the same in the last three years has been ₹200 crore.

As per the details shared by the Assam Rifles the joint patrolling operation near Melbuk cemetery was launched on 23 Sept at 1730 hrs and the movement of the suspected vehicle was noticed at around 1855 hrs. "The vehicle was stopped and an individual was intercepted by the team and a thorough spot checking was carried out. During the checking it was found that the individual was carrying 50 bundles suspected to be Methamphetamine tablets tactically hidden in various compartments of the vehicle." the Assam Rifles said in a statement. During weighing by the team, the total weight of Methamphetamine tablets was found to be 55.80 kg. The entire consignment was seized in situ and a female suspect was taken into custody by the jt team on spot for further legal proceedings.

Persons with disabilities don't need pity but treatment as equals: Chandrachud

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

It is not pity that PWDs require but the entitlement to be treated as equals. We must also aim towards a just society which accounts for their needs and provides facilities to accommodate them. These facilities ensure that they are able to exercise their rights and enjoy freedoms as enjoued by full-bodied people.

DY Chandrachud, SC judge

EXPRESSING concerns over the existence of harmful stereotypes against persons with disabilities (PWDs) that have the tendency of reducing them to a fragment of what they truly are, Supreme Court judge Justice DY Chandrachud on Saturday urged the government and private entities to ensure compliance of disability law and policies.

"It is incumbent on all institutions be it the governmental or private and all individuals to do their bit to ensure a more just world for PWDs. Governmental or private entities must ensure that laws and policies are being complied with. This is of the foremost importance in our individual capacities to accord the respect that they deserve and treat them as equals," the judge said while delivering a lecture on the topic, "Making Disability Rights Real: Addressing accessibility and more."

Citing an instance of the Archaeological Survey of India building ramps overnight in Qutub Minar for a comfortable visit of Professor Stephen Hawking and his wife, he said, "It is not pity that PWDs require but the entitlement to be treated as equals. We must also aim towards a just society which accounts for their needs and provides facilities to accommodate them. These facilities ensure that they are able to exercise their rights and enjoy their freedoms with an equal footing to able bodied people. These facilities which are known as reasonable accommodation must not be viewed with contempt."

Chandrachud also said, "Despite laws mandating disability infrastructure, public transport, government and private buildings, hospitals, libraries, parks and host of other spaces continues to be inaccessible to PWD's. Some entities do not even pretend to comply with such laws while others comply with them in a desultory fashion with a view to getting their building and occupancy permits. Ive noticed that some ramps are so steep that an able bodied person cannot walk down without falling over, let alone a person with a wheelchair or crutches. This is just the tip of the iceberg of the problem with the implementation of disability friendly policies."

Acknowledging the presence of stereotypes that PWD's are "burdensome" or "defenceless" or "different from able bodied people as being lesser than them" the judge said differences between able bodied people and PWD both real and perceived give rise to immense stigmas in society. He also said that the disability rights movement had long advocated against the position that they have special needs, they only have human needs the fulfillments of which will only enable them to participate in society on an equal basis with able bodied.

Justice Banerjee leaves indelible mark

NEW DELHI: After serving four years, Justice Indira Banerjee who joined the league as eighth women judge of the SC since independence, demitted office on Friday. Her swearing-in in 2018, had created a history as it completed the trio of three sitting female judges in the SC, other two Judges were Justices R. Banumathi and Indu Malhotra. Before her elevation as SC judge, she in 2002 was elevated as a permanent judge of Calcutta HC. After 14 years of judgeship was appointed as judge of the Delhi HC. In 2017, she was sworn in as the Chief Justice of Madras HC. With her wisdom which shone bright, she delivered various rulings. A bench which she shared with Justice Chandrachud had ruled that when a woman engages in sexual relations on false promise to marriage, her consent is based on "misconception of fact", and such sexual act(s) amount to rape. A bench led by her had also not allowed the use of Idgah Maidan in Bengaluru's Chamarajpet for Ganesh Chaturthi and had asked the parties (Karnataka State Board of Auqaf & Central Muslim Association of Karnataka and the State of Karnataka) to maintain status quo. She along with Justices SA Bobde and Indu Malhotra were also a member of SC panel that looked into the allegations of sexual harassment against then CJI Ranjan Gogoi.

'Activists have no locus standi in Bilkis case'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

QUESTIONING the maintainability of the writ filed by Subhashini Ali, Revati Laul and Roop Rekha Verma which challenges the premature release of the 11 convicts in the Bilkis Bano case, Radhey Shyam Bhagwandas Shah, one of the convicts, has told the SC that none of the petitioners are related to the case and only happen to be either political activists or a third party stranger to the case.

"If such types of third party petitions are entertained by this Hon'ble Court, it would not only unsettle the settled position of law but would also open flood gates and would be an open invitation for any member of the public to jump in any criminal matter before any Court of law," the affidavit states.

PMO DIRECTIVE

Mantris asked to complete projects unveiled by PM

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

ALL ministries and departments have been asked to review and resolve the 'issues pending with states' to ensure timely implementation of schemes and completion of development plans including projects for which foundation stones have been laid by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi. To improve coordination and expedite progress, the Government has added a new feature for indicating 'issues pending with states' on its PMRef (PM references) portal so that issues causing impediment can be highlighted and resolved.

"As you are aware, monitoring of projects is done on the PMG (project monitoring group) portal. A number of other issues including 'project for which foundations have been laid by the honourable the PM, budgets announcements, PM announcements etc' are also monitored on PMRef portal... In order to improve coordination, expedite projects and ensure timely implementation of schemes, a feature for indicating 'Issues pending with States' has been added to the PMRef Portal," reads a note sent to the secretaries of departments and ministries by the Prime Minister Office (PMO) recently.

The PMG is an institutional mechanism for the expedited resolution of issues and regulatory bottlenecks in projects having investments upward ₹500 crore. Set up as a special cell in the Cabinet Secretariat in 2013, it was subsequently brought under the administrative control of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) in 2015. Currently, PMG is situated at Invest India, Department of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) under the Ministry of Commerce.

Monitoring of projects

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"Significant issues pending with States which are having a considerable impact on progress and implementation of Projects, Schemes and / or any other critical initiatives, may kindly be highlighted on this portal. You are requested to review at your level any issue of states pending with your ministry/ department and take steps to resolve the same," states the letter.

Tourism ministry to hire pvt firm to tone up trade tactics

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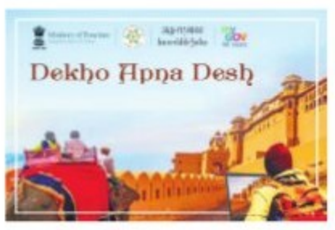


Detailed media strategy to boost business

The ministry will work on and develop a detailed media strategy with long and short term goals. To achieve the target, the ministry will engage a private agency to seek advice on various aspects relating to planning — strategic and tactical — and also formulation of digital media strategy, said officials.

WITH the domestic tourism reviving post Covid pandemic, the ministry of tourism has decided to strengthen its campaigns and media planning through new strategies and promotion activities. The focus will be on its flagship campaigns such as Incredible India and Dekho Apna Desh (explore own country), an initiative to urge Indian citizens to visit different places. With renewed strategy in place, the plan is to take international tourist footfall back to pre-Covid level of 2019.

Based on a comprehensive understanding of the target audience in the different source markets and emerging markets overseas, the ministry will work on and develop a detailed media strategy with long and short term goals. To achieve the target, the ministry will engage a private agency to seek advice on various aspects relating to planning — strategic and tactical — and also formulation of digital media strategy, said officials. "Services of an agency will be required for chalking out an effective plan on the way forward for the Incredible India, Dekho Apna Desh, or any other campaigns, based on various market research analysis. The agency will also identify target priority markets, segments and audiences, rationale, and approach," said the officials.

The ministry will zero in on domestic and international events with potential for promoting tourism and providing widespread visibility to the 'Incredible India' and 'Dekho Apna Desh' to take advantage of those events. Officials, privy to the development, said that the major thrust during the planning and designing campaign will be on social media.

"During the Covid pandemic, social media has played a pivotal role and we have realised its importance. Therefore to reach out to maximum audience, the medium will serve as a very useful tool. In the new tourism policy also, incorporation of digital techniques is one of the five points being stressed upon for tourism" said the official.

DOORSTEP CARE

People involved in animal husbandry in Jharkhand will soon get better accessibility to veterinary healthcare services at their doorstep through mobile units, an official said

3 MEN ARRESTED BY NIA FOR TERROR CONSPIRACIES

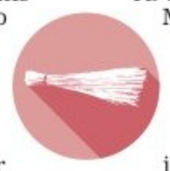
INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	34	26	Mumbai	29	25
Bhopal	24	22	Panaji	29	24
Jaipur	28	25	Patna	33	26
Amritsar	32	25	Lucknow	31	26
Chennai	35	28	Port Blair	30	25
Kolkata	34	25	Imphal	28	21
Srinagar	30	12	Chandigarh	30	25

Punjab Guv, Mann trade fresh charges over House session

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chandigarh

THE tussle between Punjab Governor Banwarilal Purohit and the Bhagwant Mann-led AAP government refuses to die down, as the government on Saturday hits back at Purohit accusing him of acting at the behest of BJP to implement 'Operation Lotus' in Punjab. A day ago, Purohit had sought details of legislative business to be taken in the Assembly session called by the government on September 27.

Meanwhile, the governor shot off a letter to the chief minister stating that his legal advisors are not briefing him adequately. New and Renewable Energy Sources Minister Aman Arora said no president or governor has ever asked for the list of legislative business before calling the session.



"This is happening for the first time because the Punjab governor is working in cahoots with BJP and Congress to weaken the democratic system and stop the AAP government from working for the welfare of people," the minister said.

Assailing the Central government, Arora said that wherever the BJP has no government, they have assigned duties to governors to act as the opposition and implement their dubious agendas to prevent the ruling government from functioning. That's why the governor is sending notices to the AAP government frequently and preventing the party to function freely as per the constitution of India.

"The latest attempt to murder democracy is that the governor's office sought the details of legislative business for September 27, which has never happened in the past. Earlier, the governor withdrew his assent for a special session called by the AAP government on September 22, at the behest of BJP," Arora said.

He said that in Delhi, BJP's Lieutenant Governor is preventing AAP from working and now in Punjab, BJP has assigned this job to the governor. They are afraid of AAP's popularity and want to stop it from raising pro-people issues.

In a scathing attack on Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Arora said that in 2012 when Modi was CM of Gujarat, he had accused the then governor of conspiring with Congress against his government and now the BJP is following a similar strategy to hamper the functioning of ruling parties across the country.

Meanwhile, the Secretary of the Punjab Vidhan Sabha has today released the agenda of legislative business to be taken up in the session GST, stubble burning and power scenario. In the letter attached, the secretary also mentioned that the details of legislative business were never ever asked earlier and are never supplied to a state's governor.

Punjab Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema said that it is condemnable that the governor has sought details of legislative business to be conducted during the proposed assembly session.

Modi sounds poll bugle in Himachal

Youth of state have made up their mind to bring BJP back in power, says PM

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

SOUNDING a bugle in the poll-bound Himachal Pradesh, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday said that the coalition governments have failed to deliver leading to the world casting a doubt on India's ability.

PM Modi was virtually addressing Yuva Vijay Sankalp Rally organized by the Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha at Paddal Ground in Mandi.

He had to cancel his visit to Mandi due to inclement weather. PM Modi said the BJP is focused on giving job opportunities to the youth.

"The BJP government is working to boost tourism in Himachal," he said.

Expressing gratitude to the youth for assembling at the rally venue braving the rain, Modi said, "The BJP trusts the youth the most. Now the youth will help make India a developed nation in the 'Azadi ka amrit kaal'," he said.

Saying that the youth have made up their mind for the returnof the BJP government in the state, he said, "The youth of Himachal know that with a clear and honest intention if anyone can develop Himachal that is only BJP."

He further added that India was benefitting from the enthusiasm and skills of the youth of Himachal Pradesh. It is the BJP's priority to further encourage them, he added. Aiming to woo the voters below 40, who comprise nearly 45 per cent of the electorate, Modi said the BJP's top priority is always to give maximum opportunities to the youth.

"Be it a chief minister, an MP or a minister, the BJP is a political party in the country in which the youth is represented the most," he said.While acknowledging the contributions

of Himachal Pradesh in development of the nation and safeguarding the frontiers, Modi said that the hill state has played a significant role in the progress of India's development and freedom movement. He said that the energy of the youth of Himachal is being continuously harnessed for the country.

"Be it sports or art, the enthusiasm and skills of the youth of Himachal Pradesh are benefitting the nation. It is the priority of the BJP to encourage the youth," he said. Modi also assured the people of the state that he would soon visit Himachal to seek the blessings and benevolence of people of the state. He also mentioned that the union government has allocated record funds for national highways in Himachal Pradesh and has approved the proposal to add the Hatti community of Sirmaur district to the list of Scheduled Tribes in the state.

The PM said that the Centre government had sanctioned various national institutions in Himachal Pradesh during the past eight years. He said that Bulk Drug Pharma Park and Medical Devices Park would be set up in the state, which would provide employment opportunities to the youth. He said that he has an emotional relation with the state. He said that whenever he visits Himachal Pradesh, he feels that he has visited his second home. He said that in the coming days he would definitely visit the state.

CM Jai Ram Thakur said due to bad weather the PM could not come to Mandi personally. He expressed his gratitude to PM Modi and the Union government for approval of Bulk Drug Pharma Park.

PM to lay foundation of world's first CNG terminal in Bhavnagar

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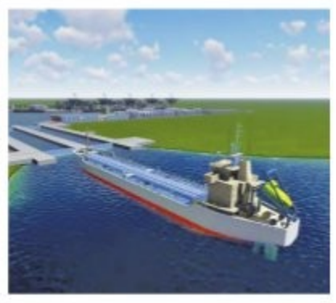

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of the world's first CNG Terminal at Bhavnagar on September 29. Foresight Group signeda Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB) forthe development of a CNG Terminal in Gujarat during the Vibrant Gujarat Global Business Summit 2019.

The port will be developed at a cost of ₹4024 crore and will have state-of-the-art infrastructure for the World's first CNG Terminal along withthe state of art world's fourth largest lock gate system.

In addition to the CNG Terminal, the port will also cater to the future needs and demands of Bhavnagar district for upcoming projects such as vehicle scrapping, container-manufacturing, other mega projects, and Dholera Special Investment Region inparticular.

The port will also have an ultra-modern container terminal, multi-purpose terminal, and liquid terminal with direct door-step connectivity to theexisting roadway and railway network connecting to the largest industrial zones, dedicated freight corridor, and Northern hinterland of the country.

The proposed port will also result in several economic benefits and costsavings with more cargo volume handling at lesser inland distance travel. Theport will help generate direct and indirect employment of up to 1,100 peopleand will also result in increasing the ancillary port related services opportunities. Moreover, the CNG Import Terminal will provide an additional alternate source of energy to meet the growing demands of clean energy. The promoters have already signed an agreement for the supply of CNG and development of CNGExport Terminal with RAK Gas, Ras Al Khaimah, UAE. The supply mechanism of CNG once operational will be revolutionary, enabling India to tap small scale andstranded gas volumes which are yet to be utilized.

RAIPUR DIARY

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New records likely on paddy procurement

Farmers and paddy procurement always remain a major political issue in Chhattisgarh, which is touted as the 'rice bowl of central India'. This year the mega procurement exercise at MSP will begin from November 1 and the government declared to raise the target to 110 lakh metric ton for the kharif marketing year 2022-23. In line with one of the poll promises, the Bhupesh Baghel-led government continues to focus on the farmers with the launch of Rajiv Gandhi Nyay Yojana that assures ` 2,500 per quintal on paddy. Owing to the government's farmer-friendly policies, the state is going to see the number of registered paddy cultivators swelling to 25 lakh this year.

Party in shambles, Jogi blames BJP's 'Op Lotus'

While political experts felt that the Janta Congress Chhattisgarh-J (JCC-J,) floated by ex-chief minister Ajit Jogi in 2016 is in shambles, the outfit now suspects BJP's conspiracy to finish the party under the alleged 'Operation Lotus'. Party president Dr Renu Jogi said, "What BJP chief JP Nadda meant when he stated that all regional parties of the country will vanish? Their plan failed in Chhattisgarh." The BJP denied the allegations. The fact remains that Jogi's party – that won five seats in 2018 Assembly polls – is left with only two MLAs after its senior legislator Dharamjeet Singh was expelled last week.

Correcting nutritional practices on people

There is much required to sensitise people on various dimensions of nutrition to improve the health evaluation outcome. To achieve it, the Bharat Aluminium Company Limited (BALCO) is observing September as month of nutrition and under it has been championing correct nutritional practices on community health for the local population. The project in tune with the Nutrition Mission or POSHAN (Prime Minister's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nutrition) focuses mainly on children, pregnant women and lactating mothers through interactions, positive shift health sessions to reduce malnutrition.

Now, ITI girl student's video shot by batchmates in Bhopal, one detained

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

THREE STUDENTS BOOKED

Three students of the government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Bhopal have been booked by the police for allegedly shooting obscene clips of a fellow girl student, while she was changing clothes in the college bathroom recently.

AN incident bearing semblance to the Chandigarh University video leak case has reportedly taken place in Bhopal on Saturday.

Three students of the government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Bhopal have been booked by the police for allegedly shooting obscene clips of a fellow girl student, while she was changing clothes in the college bathroom recently.

While one of the three students have been detained by police, the police is searching for two others, including the prime accused, who shot the video and was blackmailing the girl and her boyfriend (also a student of same ITI).

The incident happened possibly on September 17 in the college campus, while a function to mark Vishwakarma Puja was underway.

The prime accused allegedly shot the girl student's video while she was changing clothes in bathroom and later while she was sitting with her boyfriend.

He subsequently, showed the video clips to the girl's boyfriend and started blackmailing them. He first extorted Rs 500 from the girl and her boyfriend, but later started demanding Rs 5,000 more, failing to do so the accused would spread the videos on social media platforms, a senior Bhopal police officer told this reporter on Saturday.

Fearing public humiliation, the girl student and her boyfriend left the house a day later. The girl's family subsequently reported her sudden disappearance to the police, after which the police swinging into action traced the girl and her boyfriend from the Bhopal railway station.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on a visit to the Fatehpur Border Outpost in Bihar on Saturday, where he also interacted with the Sashastra Seema Bal personnel and asserted that Modi government gives top priority to strengthen the country's borders, a reason why expenditure on infrastructure development in these areas has gone up considerably under the current regime

Rising from ashes: Kaziranga gets rhino memorial

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE Kaziranga National Park in Assam has got a memorial made out of the ash of burnt rhino horns.

Named "Abode of the Unicorns", it has three rhino sculptures – an adult male, an adult female and a calf. It also has three statues of forest guards, created by using different materials.

The male rhino is 10.5-feet long and 6-feet tall, the female is 11-feet long and 5.6-feet tall while the calf is 3.5-feet long and 1.5-feet tall.

On the World Rhino Day last year, a stockpile of 2,479 rhino horns was consigned to flames, remotely using drones at the World Heritage Site. They were seized or collected over the past four decades.

According to the park authorities, 128.56 kg of ash was used in the making of the memorial. Sculptors Biju Das crafted the three rhinos while Biren Singha created the statues of the forest guards.

Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma unveiled the memorial in the presence of Sadguru Jaggi Vasudev on Saturday. Later, Sadguru briefly drove a gypsy in the park to have a glimpse of the real rhinos. Sarma gave him company sitting next to him.

Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma unveiled the memorial in the presence of Sadguru Jaggi Vasudev on Saturday

Kaziranga Field Director Jatindra Sarma told this newspaper the memorial came alive after four months of hard work. He said an estimated Rs 10-12 lakh went in its making and some work was still left.

"When the horns were burnt last year, the CM sir and the Chief Wildlife Warden (MK Yadava) had discussed how the ash could be used since it is not something that can be preserved," Sarma said.

He said the ash collected was used to create the three rhinos, thereby immortalising the efforts of those who selflessly protect the animal.

"Through this memorial, a message was also sent to the international community that rhino horns were burnt in Assam. The horns have no medicinal value. As such, there shouldn't be any poaching. Let them live freely," Sarma said.

The memorial has been kept in the open and the park director said the idea was to ensure the tourists get a clear view of it.

Rhino-poaching has come down drastically in Assam after the BJP rose to power in 2016. The party had promised to protect the animal. locations of PTZ (pan-tilt-zoom) cameras, emergency trauma care centers along National Highways, State Highways and Expressways in NCR. The ministry said that in addition the discussion stressed on ensuring operational vehicle location tracking devices and speed governors in all such vehicles under CRCTA and working expeditiously towards formulating and harmonizing the rules for motor vehicle aggregators for NCR in the spirit of Motor Vehicle Aggregators Guidelines-2020.

BJP expels leader, son over murder of resort staffer

NARENDRA SETHI @Dehradun

AMID widespread public anger over the murder of a female staff member of a resort owned by Pulkit, the son of BJP leader and former Uttarakhand minister Vinod Arya, the party expelled the leader. Pulkit's brother Ankit was also expelled.

It comes a day after Pulkit, who owns the resort, was arrested by the police over the murder of the 19-year-old Ankita Bhandari.

Two of his aides were also arrested on Friday. Resort manager Ankit Gupta and Saurabh Bhaskar have been sent to 14-day judicial custody.

Bhandari worked as a receptionist at the Vantara Resort near Rishikesh. The police recovered her body from Chilla barrage. It has been sent for post-mortem.

Meanwhile, the Vantara Resort, allegedly built on encroached land, was on Saturday demolished on orders of Uttarakand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami.

MUSLIM ARTISAN TO CREATE PUJA PANDAL USING 2,500 KG JUTE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kolkata

TO mark Durga Puja a festival of inclusiveness, organisers in Murshidabad district has engaged a Muslim jute artisan woman for decorating their theme-based pandal. Nasima Yasmin, a computer engineer, and her team are working round-the-clock to give the theme "In search of past days" by using 2,500 kg jute.

"I am trying to give my best. I am feeling happy that hundreds of devotees of goddess Durga will see the creativity of my team. I am quite hopeful that they will appreciate our work," said Nasima. Nasima's work will be reflected in the pandal of Babupara in Berhampore.

"Every year, we plan to offer surprises in our theme-based pandal and deliver a message to the society. This year, we decided to bring back the memories of old days by using jute. Our budget for the pandal is Rs 7 lakh. We were in search of a good jute artisan and came to know about a few others. But we decided to engage Nasima as it will deliver a message of communal harmony. Durja Puja is a festival of inclusiveness," said

Arindam Das, the secretary of the puja committee. Nasima completed computer engineering from Domkol college and received many job offers. But she preferred to follow the path of her parents. Her parents have been engaged in making jute handicrafts for the past three decades.

"Whenever I attended government-sponsored training programmes, I used to take Nasima with me when she was a child. She developed interest in this field while watching me making jute items," said Nasima's mother Majhera Bibi. Nasima involved 100 women in her assignment to decorate the pandal.

84 protesters arrested for anti-government march in Sri Lanka, says police

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	28	12	TDS	Los Angeles	32	19	LC
Colombo	31	26	LC	Melbourne	19	8	HR
Dhaka	33	27	TDS	Moscow	9	6	HR
Dubai	36	28	SNY	New York	25	16	LC
Houston	35	24	SNY	Singapore	29	26	TDS
Istanbul	24	15	LC	Toronto	17	13	LC
London	17	11	LC	Washington	26	15	LC

Russia strikes Ukrainian cities, G7 nations term referendum a sham

China at the UN General Assembly calls for respecting the sovereignty of all the countries

KYIV

RUSSIAN forces launched new strikes on Ukrainian cities as Kremlin-orchestrated votes took place in occupied regions of Ukraine to create a pretext for their annexation by Moscow.

Ukraine's presidential office said the latest Russian shelling killed at least three people and wounded 19. Oleksandr Starukh, the Ukrainian governor of Zaporizhzhia, one of the regions where Moscow-installed officials organised referendums on joining Russia, said a Russian missile hit an apartment building in the city of Zaporizhzhia, killing one person and injuring seven others.

Ukraine, its Western allies and G7 nations declared the polls will "never" be recognised and have "no legal effect or legitimacy". They say the referendums underway in Kherson and Zaporizhzhia in the south and the eastern Luhansk and Donetsk regions have no legal force. They alleged the votes were an illegitimate attempt by Moscow to seize Ukrainian territory stretching from the Russian border to the Crimean Peninsula.

US President Joe Biden has dismissed the referendums as a "sham... a false pretext to try to annex parts of Ukraine by force in flagrant violation of international law".

Even Beijing, Moscow's closest ally since the war began in February, reacted. Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi—in comments made to his Ukrainian counterpart Dmytro Kuleba at the UN General Assembly—said the "sovereignty and territorial integrity of all countries must be respected".

Luhansk Gov. Serhiy Haidai said the voting "looked more like an opinion survey under the gun barrels," adding that Moscow-backed local authorities sent armed escorts to accompany election officials and to take down the names of individuals who voted against joining Russia.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy urged Ukrainians in occupied regions to undermine the referendums and to share information about the people conducting "this farce." He also called on Russian recruits to sabotage and desert the military if they are called up under the partial troop mobilisation. "If you get into the Russian army, sabotage any activity of enemy, hinder any Russian operations, provide us with any important information about occupiers—their bases...with ammunition," Zelenskyy said. *Agencies*

Residents of Mariupol hold a rally against a Kremlin-orchestrated referendum in Kyiv, Ukraine on Saturday | AP

Top logistics general in Russia replaced

Kyiv: Moscow replaced its top logistics general after a series of setbacks as Kremlin-held regions of eastern and southern Ukraine voted for a second day on becoming part of Russia. The changing of the guard comes amid a major mobilisation drive by Russia after the Ukraine invasion revealed widespread logistical difficulties, with Kyiv now taking back more and more territory

Putin toughens penalty for refusal to fight

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin on Saturday signed amendments toughening penalties for voluntary surrender, desertion and refusal to fight by up to 10 years in prison, just days after ordering a partial mobilisation.

The announcement of the mobilisation of 300,000 reservists on Wednesday sparked protests across Russia and a fresh exodus out of the country.

A day before, Russia's parliament had approved amendments toughening penalties for military crimes in times of mobilisation.

Now that the legislation is signed, servicemen who desert, surrender "without authorisation", refuse to fight or disobey orders can face up to ten years imprisonment.

Looting will be punishable by 15 years imprisonment.

The changes come as the Kremlin seeks to bolster the ranks of its army fighting a military operation in Ukraine.

A separate law, also signed on Saturday, facilitates access to Russian citizenship for foreigners who enlist in the Russian army.

This measure seems primarily aimed at Central Asian migrants from former Soviet republics. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS

THAILAND

Flood warning issued for downstream provinces

As the Chao Phraya Dam increases its discharge rate, communities living downstream of the dam have received a flood warning by The Royal Irrigation Department (RID). Praphit Chanma, the RID Director-General stated that the department has decided to increase the dam's discharge rate from 1,989 cubic metres per second to 2,200 cubic metres per second in order to improve its capacity ahead of expected heavy rains next week. Thus, water levels of water bodies downstream are expected to rise by 30-50 cm. Residents are advised to keep a check on the weather forecast and monitor the water levels. RID Director-General said that officials and necessary equipment has been dispatched to these locations in event of an emergency. He added the RID is working to manage water levels at the dam and canals along the Chao Phraya river

SINGAPORE

Nation seeks re-election to UN's aviation agency

Singapore's Ministry of Transport stated on Saturday that the nation will seek re-election to United Nation's aviation agency—International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). The 41st session of ICAO's assembly will be held in Montreal, Canada. S Iswaran, the transport minister will lead a delegation to the same. An election will be held at this assembly for the ICAO council which consists of 36 members. The country was elected to the council back in 2003

INDONESIA

Powerful quake jolts northernmost province

A strong undersea earthquake shook Indonesia's northernmost province of Aceh on Saturday, but there were no immediate reports of serious damage or casualties and officials said there was no threat of a tsunami. Witnesses said many people ran out of their homes to higher ground when the pre-dawn earthquake struck, but they later received text messages saying there was no danger of a tsunami. A massive quake off the coast of Aceh in 2004 triggered a powerful tsunami that killed around 230,000 people in a dozen countries. Saturday's magnitude 6.2 quake was centred 40 kilometres south-southwest of Meulaboh, a coastal city in Aceh province at a depth of 49 kilometres. The Indonesian Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics Agency measured the earthquake at magnitude of 6.4

Afghan no longer major non-NATO ally

WASHINGTON

US President Joe Biden has terminated the designation of Afghanistan as a major non-NATO ally, more than a year after the Taliban captured power in Kabul.

In 2012, the United States named Afghanistan a major non-NATO (MNNA) ally, which cleared the way for the two countries to maintain a defence and economic relationship.

The designation gave several facilities and concessions to Afghanistan in terms of defence and security-related assistance and equipment.

"By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including section 517 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961...I hereby terminate the designation of Afghanistan as a Major Non-NATO Ally of the United States for the purposes of the Act and the Arms Export Control Act," Biden said in a presidential memorandum to the Secretary of State Antony Blinken.

The change in Afghanistan's status follows Biden's withdrawal of US troops from the country last year, ending nearly 20 years of war.

The MNNA status was first created in 1987. With Afghanistan's status rescinded, the US will have 18 major non-NATO allies, according to the State Department.

Early this month, Indian-American Congressman Ro Khanna tabled a resolution in the House of Representatives to designate India as a major non-NATO ally. *PTI*

Toll reaches 35, many arrested in protest crackdown in Iran

PARIS

THE official death toll has nearly doubled to 35 in a crackdown by Iran's security forces on more than a week of protests that erupted after the death of a young woman in custody.

Hundreds of angry demonstrators have been arrested with crowds taking to the streets of major cities across Iran for eight straight nights since the death of Mahsa Amini.

The 22-year-old Kurd was pronounced dead after spending three days in a coma following her arrest by Iran's feared morality police for wearing the hijab headscarf in an 'improper' way. State television said the number of deaths in 'recent riots' had risen to 35, up from 17 previously, including at least five security personnel.

Sweeping arrests have been reported, with the police chief in the northwestern province of Guilan announcing Saturday "the arrest of 739 rioters including 60 women" in his region alone, Tasnim news agency said.

Women hold up signs depicting image of Mahsa Amini during a protest | AFP

Activists said she suffered a blow to the head in custody but this has not been confirmed by the Iranian authorities, who have opened an investigation.

Iran's Interior Minister Ahmad Vahidi insisted Amini had not been beaten. "Reports from oversight bodies were received, witnesses were interviewed, videos were reviewed, forensic opinions were obtained and it was found that there had been no beating," he said.

The minister said Iran was probing Amini's death, adding "we must wait for the final opinion of the medical examiner, which takes time". *AFP*

TIT FOR TAT

India takes a dig on Pakistan P M's remarks at UNGA meet

UNITED NATIONS

IN a strong response to Pakistan, India has said in the UN General Assembly that a country that claims to seek peace with its neighbours would never sponsor cross-border terrorism nor would it shelter planners of the horrific Mumbai terrorist attack, disclosing their existence only under pressure from the global community.

India exercised the Right of Reply in the UN General Assembly to respond sharply to Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif, who had raked up the issue of Jammu and Kashmir during his address to the high-level General Debate.

"It is regrettable that the Prime Minister of Pakistan has chosen the platform of this august assembly to make false accusations against India," First Secretary in the Permanent Mission of India to UN Mijito Vinito said in Right of Reply.

"He has done so to obfuscate misdeeds in his own country and to justify actions against India that the world considers unacceptable," the young Indian diplomat said.

In his address, Sharif said Pakistan wants to have peace with India but added that long-lasting, enduring peace can only be 'insured and guaranteed' through a just and fair solution to the issue of Kashmir under UN Charter and Security Council resolutions. *PTI*

EXPRESS READ

India-Bhutan border gates open after 2 yrs

Rangia/Guwahati: India-Bhutan border gates in Assam have been reopened for tourists after a hiatus of two-and-a-half years, an official said on Saturday. The gates, which were closed since the outbreak of Covid-19, have been reopened with some new rules, including a sustainable development fee. Bhutan's Consul General at Guwahati Jigme Thinley Namgyal declared the reopening of international border gates at Samdrup-Jongkhar in Tamulpur district, Dadgiri and Gelephu in Chirang, Namlang and Panbang in Baksa and Samrang in Udalguri district. The gates will remain open from 9 am to 5 pm. Several visitors and businessmen gathered at the gates during the reopening celebrations, and people from both the countries exchanged greetings.

Indian-origin UK minister wins 1st Queen Elizabeth II award

LONDON

BRITAIN'S Indian-origin Home Secretary Suella Braverman has been named winner of the first-ever Queen Elizabeth II Woman of the Year award at a ceremony in London. The 42-year-old barrister, who was appointed to the Cabinet earlier this month by British PM Liz Truss, said it was the 'honour of her life' to take on the new role at the Asian Achievers Awards (AAA) 2022 ceremony, dedicated to the memory of the late monarch who passed away recently. The awards, now in their 20th year, recognise the achievements of individuals from across Britain's South Asian community through public nominations. Other Indian-origin winners across the different categories included broadcaster Naga Munchetty in the media category, chairman and CEO of celebrated visual effects firm DNEG Namit Malhotra in the Arts and Culture category and Captain Harpreet Chandi in the Uniformed and Civil Service category for her solo expedition across the Antarctic to the South Pole.

WESTERN RAILWAY- RATLAM

COACH CLEANING CONTRACT

GeM BID No. **GEM/2022/B/2567238**, Dated: 22-09-2022, Sr.CDO/IND, Western Railway, Ratlam, division invites GEM BID No. GEM/2022/B/2567238 (**Double** packet system) for the following work. If the date of opening happens to be a BANDH or Holiday, the tender will be opened at the same time on the following working day. **Name of the work with its location:** Outcome measured turnkey work of Coach Cleaning Contract (CCC) including cleaning of Coaching Depot Premises, Passenger Amenity Fitting in Coaches & Cleaning, Watering, Locking/Unlocking activities for PF return/STR trains at DADN along with garbage disposal for the period of 04 years. **Approx. cost of work:** ₹ 8,20,08,443.00/- (including all taxes and GST) **Bid Security:** ₹5,65,858/- **Completion period of work:** 48 Months from the date of issue of LOA. **Address of the office from where the tender opened:** Office of the Sr.CDO/Indore, Western Railway, Ratlam division. **Date & Time for submission and opening of tender:** Closing Time: 17.10.2022 at 16:00:00Hrs Opening Time: 17.10.2022 at 16:30:00Hrs. **Website particulars & notice board location:** Tender documents can also be downloaded from website of GEM Any other information required by the tenderer can be obtained from the office of Sr.CDO/IND during the working hours.

Sr. Coaching Depot Officer, Indore
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my client, **Sri. V. Raja Rao**, S/o. Late N.Vittal Rao, Aged about 51 years residing at No.21, 2nd Cross, Balaji Layout, Mallathahalli,Bangalore-560056, have entered into Agreement of Sale dated 07.09.2022 to purchase Schedule Property from **Sri.Krishna Murthy**, S/o.Late Lakshminarasimaiah, Aged about 59 years and **Smt. Poornima.J**, W/o.Krishna Murthy, Aged about 50 Years both Residing at Site No.60, 4th Cross, NMH Layout, Siddedahalli, Chikkabanavara, Bangalore - 560090

Any person/s having/asserting any right, title, interest, claim or intending to oppose the purchase in any manner may contact the undersigned and may offer their version, in writing within seven days from the publication of this notice with relevant documents, failing which my client would proceed to complete the Sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Site No.60** and **Site No.61** situated at 4th Cross, NMH Layout, Siddedahalli, Chikkabanavara, Bangalore-90, presently coming under BBMP jurisdiction measuring **East to West: on the Northern Side 68 feet & on the Southern side 80 feet** and **North to South 40 feet,** totally measuring **2960 square feet** (including Site no. 60 and 61) and **Site no.60** consisting of Ground floor measuring **2280 square feet**, First floor and second floor measuring **2280 square feet** of built-up area and **Site no.61** consisting of 2 floors measuring **1715 square feet** consisting of mosaic flooring with RCC Roofing along with all privileges, rights, easements appurtenant thereof and bounded on:

East by : Property bearing No.59;
West by : Compound wall of Garden belonging to Mr.Pai
North by : 30 Feet Road; &
South by : Property bearing No.62 & 63;

— **Sanjay Kumar A**, Advocate —
PSA Law Partners
PSA House, No.47/1A, 1st Floor, 8th Main, 13th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003. Ph No. 9886254185

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General Public that my client is intending to purchase the schedule property belonging to (i) Sri.R Gangadhar, Son of Late Rangappa, (ii) Sri.G Anantaraj, Son of Sri.R Gangadhar, (iii) Sri.G Mohankumar, Son of Sri.R Gangadhar, 1 to 3 are residing at No:476, Fourth Cross, Third Main, Shastrinagar, Tyagarajanagar, Bangalore – 560 028 and (iv) Smt.G Bhagyalakshmi, Wife of Sri.Srinivas, Daughter of Sri.R Gangadhar, residing at No:24, Eighth Cross, Byrasandra, Bhovi Colony, Tilaknagar, Bangalore – 560 041;

Any, person, having any claim over the above property claiming through the predecessors in title or any other person, may lodge their objections or claims, in writing with all supporting documentary evidence by registered post with regard to such claim with the undersigned within 7 (seven) days hereof, failing which my client will proceed to conclude the Sale Transaction. Any claims lodged thereafter will not be entertained by my client;

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Municipal No:625 (earlier BDA No:476 of Banashankari Second Stage), situated at Third Main Road, Shastrinagar, Bangalore, Ward No:167-Yediyur (Old Ward No:59), PID No:59-47-625, together with the structures standing thereon & bounded on the:

East by : Site bearing BDA No:503;
West by : Road;
North by : Site bearing BDA No:477;
South by : Site bearing BDA No:475;
Measuring : East to West : 44 feet;
North to South : 38 feet;
In all admeasuring : 1672 square feet (185.77 square yards);

N S SATYANARAYANA GUPTA, K S NAYAK, N S RACHANA, N C JANARDHAN
Rachana Law Associates,
"Lakshmideep", I Floor, No:2980, 17th Cross, Banashankari II Stage,
BANGALORE – 560 070; PH : 9731333880
Dt: 24-09-2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Smt. Kalpana Sundari** has filed a suit bearing O. S. No. 210/2022 pending on the file of the Hon'ble XIX Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru seeking reliefs in relation to the immovable property more fully described in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as **"Schedule Property"**. My client has filed the said suit against **Sri. Vinay Krishna. H. V. and M/s. Naga Constructions,** who have constructed the apartment complex by the name of "Remington" on the Schedule Property. My client has sought the relief that Joint Development Agreement dated 05/06/2020 registered as Document No. VJN-1-00659-2020-21 of Book I, stored in CD No. VJND567, registered at the Office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru, is not binding on her.

Any person who wishes to purchase any construction in the said complex by the name of "Remington", or any portion of the Schedule Property, is hereby put to notice that any right, title or interest they may claim to possess in the Schedule Property is subject to the judgement and decree of the Hon'ble XIX Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru in O. S. No. 210/2022 and such persons shall not be allowed to claim ignorance of the same.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Khatha No-81/2, PID No. 7-3-81/2, vacant Site, measuring about East to West 165-0 feet and North to South 35-0 feet, excluding the pathway, the pathway measuring about 13x70 feet which lead to the Property No. 81, situated at **4th Main, Malleswaram, Bangalore- 560003** and bounded on the:

East By: Portion of Pragathi Apartments,
West By: 4th Main Road
North By: Ravi Kiran Apartments,
South By: Site No. 81

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PUBLIC NOTICE
LOSS OF PROPERTY DOCUMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE : is hereby given to the general public that my client **Mr. NASUR AHMED KHAN, Son of Mr. Azeezulla Khan** has lost the previous relevant document and original Sale Deed of Mr. B. ASLAM, S/o Late Basheer Ahmed, bearing No.1229 of 1997, Book-I; Volume No.267, Pages: 73-75, dt: 16-5-1997, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kelamangalam, Pertaining to the Immovable Property **bearing Site/Plot No.95,** situated at **KOTHAGONDAPALLI VILLAGE,** within the Revenue District of Krishnagiri, Taluk of Hosur, Registration District of Krishnagiri, Sub Registrar District of Kelamangalam, situated at **KOTHAGONDAPALLI VILLAGE,** S.No.565, Dry Extent Ac.4.54, Asst Rs.6.22, out of which and extent of Ac.1.12, Asst Rs.1.553 out of which an extent of 1498½ square feet, measuring East to West on the North: 40 feet and on the South: 41 feet, North to South on the East: 34 feet and on the West: 40 feet making a total Extent of 1498½ square feet and bounded as follows: **East by: Plot No.98, West by: 30 Feet Road, North by: Plot No.96, South by: S. No.566.**

All people are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document and if anyone fond the said missing documents kindly return my client **Mr. NASUR AHMED KHAN** and if anyone has already carried out or being carried out kindly inform my client **Mr. NASUR AHMED KHAN** in writing on the below mentioned address within **15 days** from this present.

SAMARA ASSOCIATES
KALEEM BAIG B.Sc.,LL.B
 # 492, P & T Colony, Nagawara Main Road, Bangalore-560045, M : 8553333724 / 9880827658

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that my client Ashwini.J, D/o. Mr. Jayakumar, residing at No.13, 1st Cross, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road, Patel Muniyappa Layout, V.Nagenahalli Church, R.T.Nagar, Bangalore-560032 propose to purchase the Schedule Property herein from the owner Mr.P.Anand Rao S/o. Late. Panduranaga Rao, residing at No.959, 13th Cross, Ayappa Block, Manorayanapalya, R.T.Nagar Post, Bangalore-560032 and Mr.Narayanswamy.R, S/o.Late.Ramanna, residing at No.58/1, 4th Cross, Muneshwara Layout, Manorayanapalya, R.T.Nagar Post, Bangalore-560032.

Any person or persons having any claim/s on the Schedule Property or objections for the proposed sale transaction may lodge their claims/objections with documentary proof with the undersigned within 10 (days) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which thereafter my clients shall proceed to complete the sale transaction and claims/objections received beyond the stipulated period will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing Site No.12/1, Assessment No.27/2, assigned Corporation No.46, PID No.96-275-46 situated at 2nd Cross Road, Thimmakka Layout, Cholanayakanahalli Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently comes within the BBMP Jurisdiction, Ward No.22, together with the residential building thereon comprising of 37.1612 Square Meter Ground Floor, 83.6127 Square Meter of First Floor and 83.6127 Square Meter of Second Floor of R.C.C Roofing, brick wall with cement mortar, mosaic flooring, jungle wood doors and windows with water, light sanitation and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto and the building constructed on site measuring :

East to West : 45 Feet, North to South : 25 Feet
Total : 1125 Square Feet
and the property is bounded as follows:
East by : 20 Feet Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Remaining portion of same Site No.12/1, South by : Private Property.

HCS ASSOCIATES,
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TENDER NOTICE

TSNPDCL is intends to Purchase the Materials through e-Procurement platform from the Manufacturers Specification No.CGM/P&MM/OT-13 to 28/22-23 & STN-26 to 41/22-23
Name of the Materials: Various Materials.
Bid Security @ of 2% on Ex-Works. Downloading of Tenders through On-Line e-Procurement starts from **28.09.2022 @ 11.00 AM.**
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DIPR R.O.No:728-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2022-23 **Sd/- CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER (P&MM)**

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No:SIMS/Store/Tender/2022-23/1194 Date: 22.09.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement)

Sl NO	Tender No. & Date	Name of the Item	Publish, Duration, End, Date and time.
1	SIMS/PRCU/TNDR/70/ 2022- EST-1-SIMS-SMG, Dated: 21.09.2022	Tender for Implementation and Maintenance of AB-ARK Scheme Through Out Sourcing to Sims Shivamogga for 02 Years.	From : 21.09.2022 to 06.10.2022 at 5.00 PM.
2	No.SIMS/EST-2/ Electrical and Plumbing /2022-23/ Dated: 22.09.2022	Re-Tender for maintenance of Electrical and Plumbing to sims and Teaching Mcgann Hospital Shimoga. (CMC) for 01 Year	From : 28.09.2022 to 13.10.2022 at 5.00 PM.
3	Re-Tender No. SIMS / STORE /Drugs/51 / 2022-23, Dated: 22.09.2022	Procurements of Drugs (Injections, Tablets and Other Items) to SIMS Shivamogga	From : 28.09.2022 to 13.10.2022 at 5.00 PM.

Opening of all aboveTenders can be obtained through e-procurement from the tendering website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Further bidders can take assistance with e-procurement help desk at : 080-25501216,25501227

Sd/- Director/Dean
Shimoga Institute of Medical Sciences, Shivamogga.

DIPR/SMG/No.113-09/zenkar/2022-23

$230 mn payment, which was due to Blackstone, edtech firm Byju's has cleared for acquiring stake in test preparatory firm Aakash

'Coal to stay as main energy source'

'Renewable energies complement but can not compete with coal, at least for now'

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

India was facing an 'unprecedented' coal crisis a few months ago, and now as the situation has eased a bit, the talks of unavailability of coal to power and non-power sectors have died down for now. **Pramod Agarwal**, Chairman of Coal India, the country's largest coal producer, in an interaction with **Rakesh Kumar**, talks about the country's coal availability situation, future and of coal green energy efforts.

Pramod Agarwal, Chairman, CIL

Last year, there were reports of coal shortage in the country post monsoon. What is the situation this year?
The recurrence of such a situation is highly unlikely this year as current coal supply is at a higher growth trajectory and stock position is relatively much more comfortable. Our production has hit a historic high of 253 million tonnes (MT) till August with 21% growth. The 44.6 MT rise in absolute terms in just 5 months and 4 days of the ongoing fiscal outdid the previous best of 44.5 MT of FY16, which was for the entire year. Also, better loading by CIL and logistics management by railways saw the rake loading to power sector going up by 14% during the period. These moves would avert any annual monsoon crisis at power plants.

What is the status of CIL's coal supply right now?
On the back of the improved production, our supplies also peaked to record levels. Supply to the power sector has grown by nearly 40 MT till the first fortnight of September this fiscal. To a level of 264.7 MT from 224.8 MT of last year. Total offtake has increased to 308 MT, which is a year-on-year (YoY) jump of nearly 24 MT. Pitheads of Coal India are stocked with 29 MT. Coal inventory at power plants was close to 27 MT (including imported coal) with Coal India accounting for a major portion of it. Additionally, 7.6 MT was awaiting shipment at private washery sidings, goods sheds, ports and CIL's own sidings. With sufficient coal available in the system, there is no cause for shortage apprehension.

How is Coal India gearing up to meet the increased coal demand of thermal power plants with festive season round the corner?
Like I said earlier, if you look at our production and offtake surge to thermal power plants till August, the growth is in the high double digits. Production hike is 21%. Power plants have received 18% more coal than they did last year. Improved production gives us a launching pad to increase our supplies. Adequate coal stocks are within reach. We also have an on-tap coal import pact for 6 MTs in place with a scalable option to 12 MTs.

What is the status of the coal import order placed on Indonesia's Bara Daya Energi? How much coal has arrived in the country and who all have procured the coal?
Based on the indents and advances received from state gencos and independent power plants, CIL has placed the schedule for delivery of 2.83 lakh tonnes (LTs) of coal from overseas. Of this, three vessels of 2.13 LTs have reached the Indian shores and one vessel carrying 70,000 tonnes is in transit and expected to reach the country's port by the month-end. Destination is ports on the eastern coast of the country. State gencos of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka have procured the coal so far. Coal imports depend on how the coal demand pans out.

Given that the coal crisis has emerged in the country in the past two years, do you think India will be able to quickly switch to renewable energy for power? Will coal continue to be the main source of power in India for the next decade or so?
Coal outweighs renewables by five-fold in the country's power generation. It is still long way ahead and continues to fuel India's energy needs for at least two decades more. Entry of renewables doesn't portend the end of the road for coal. Renewables complement but can't compete with coal, at least for now. The switch over will be a gradual and long process. Till then both these fuel sources must co-exist.

In a positive sign renewable energy is, it is steadily expanding. By August-end of this fiscal, the share of renewables in the country's power generation leapt by 16.6% YOY to 96.26 billion units (BU). In contrast, out of India's total power generation of 709.36 BU, coal-based generation was 485.49 BU during this period. Of this, 96% or 466.28 BU was generated through domestic coal where the bulk of supplies were from CIL. Coal can't be erased from the country's energy canvas abruptly.

What are the new technologies or eco-friendly techniques Coal India is adopting for mining?
Our focus is to be minimally invasive on environment and land, with availability of land being a persistent problem. The focus is on increased deployment of eco-friendly surface miners, which entail blast-free selective mining with minimal damage to the environment. We are planning to strengthen fleet by 50 more in addition to existing 21.

In-pit crushers, already in use, help reduce movement of dumpers, minimising diesel exhaust and lessening air pollution. OB cutting technology curtails noise and air pollution. Reviving environmentally clean underground production, we are adopting a slew of green mining technologies like high wall mining and powered support long wall. Mineable coal assets can be extracted at a low cost with a low gestation period. Paste fill technology is another environment-friendly frontier.

There have been calls for privatisation of coal sector as a solution to India's coal crisis. A section of people think privatisation would improve performance and efficiency of CIL. What's your views on the same?
Coal India's operational efficiency and belt tightening measures in cost of production have already improved over the years. Competition from private players is not a worrying factor for CIL. Their role will be complementary as they replenish additional quantities of domestic coal into the supply chain reducing the import burden. What makes Coal India retain its energy leadership is decades of core competence, large human resource pool of skilled manpower, multi-disciplinary professionals, established infrastructure, streamlined operations, uniform coal quality and reliable timely delivery of supplies. Our mines have a favourable stripping ratio making our coal highly cost-competitive.

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IS AGGRESSIVE TIGHTENING A MAJOR POLICY MISTAKE?

SUNITHA NATTI

GLOBAL monetary policy authorities seem to be in for a 'major policy mistake.'

No, we are not referring to their grossly ignored inflationary menace or the aggressive rate hikes that are driving us towards a global recession.

It's the ongoing Quantitative Tightening (QT) exercise, where global central banks are withdrawing excess money they printed in the past two years. The trouble, is such an activity on a global scale, is happening for the first time and none have a clue about how it'll eventually end.

On their part, policymakers are giving firm assurances about painless liquidity normalisation, but these very authorities first printed money without considering its inflationary impact and next brushed price rise as temporary only to be proved wrong on both counts. Their latest advocacy about QT causing little disruption is being viewed with disbelief and the possibility of them being right or wrong are equal simply because the theoretical or practical evidence is rather limited.

Following the Covid-19 pandemic, central banks embarked on a bond-buying blitz increasing the global stock of reserves by a massive 25%. The largest 10 economies added $23 trillion, of which the US Federal Reserves' balance sheet alone doubled to $9 trillion.

By purchasing long-term bonds, central banks took upon themselves interest rate risk. How? Long-term bonds have fixed rates, while interest on reserves (money that banks park with central banks) changes with monetary policy rate. During a rate hike cycle, central banks end up paying more than they earn. This is a new ground for monetary authorities too, as until a decade ago, their major liability was currency, on which they paid no interest, earned income and seldom incurred losses. But that's about to change and if balance sheet contraction is delayed, losses are certain.

Just how did they end up here? Traditionally, central banks reduce short-term rates to spur growth during slowdown. But during the 2008-09 global financial crisis, when things did get better despite jamming rates to zero, the Fed introduced Quantitative Easing (QE) buying long-term bonds by printing money. A decade later, when Covid-19 struck, QE became a universal crisis toolkit, even though its effects were still being debated. But all this excess money must vanish and the reverse action is referred to as QT, where central banks sell bonds and normalise their balance sheets.

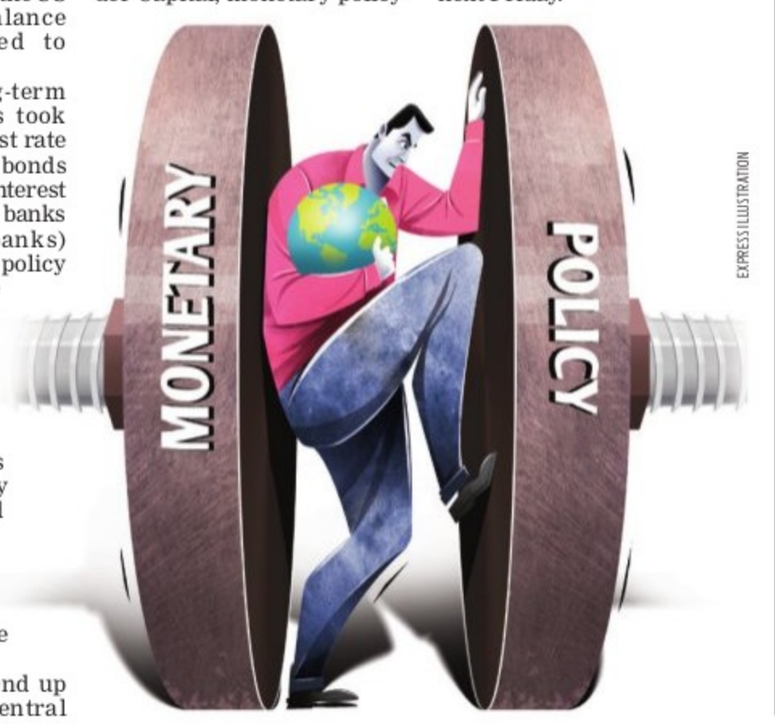
Central banks come out with all guns blazing

Policymakers are giving firm assurances about painless liquidity normalisation, but these very authorities first printed money without considering inflationary impact and next brushed price rise as temporary only to be proved wrong on both counts. Their latest advocacy about QT causing little disruption is being viewed with disbelief and the possibility of them being right or wrong are equal simply because the theoretical or practical evidence is limited

But QT and QE aren't similar. For instance, QE is rolled out swiftly, but its rollback is gradual, which itself is a problem. According to CrossBorder Capital, monetary policymakers are in for a 'major upcoming policy error,' underestimating the impact of excessive QT as governments must pay higher rates to offload debt. The fallouts are less understood given that its creator -- the Fed -- attempted QT only once before! And as the Fed Chair Jerome Powell himself alluded, its effects are 'uncertain.'

The Fed will likely offload $4 trillion in about two years, and it's assumed that such a move will reduce the stock of global reserves by 5%, and lower inflation by 2%. But Barings Investments argues that there's no academic work to prove it and instead believes, the risk of a major policy mistake by the Fed could be in the works.

Meanwhile, India is yet again in the clear. The RBI's balance sheet grew by an unprecedented ₹12 lakh crore during the pandemic year FY20 and Governor Shaktikanta Das, who began shrinking the balance sheet last October, has finished the exercise. System liquidity currently is in deficit, perking up call money rates, but analysts say this is a transient situation caused due to advance tax outflows and will soon get reversed. That said, RBI's vigilance on liquidity will be closely watched during the bi-monthly policy review next Friday.



FUND INFLOWS

Govt says India on track to attract $100 bn FDI this fiscal

PTI @ New Delhi

INDIA is on track to attract $100 billion foreign direct investment (FDI) in the current fiscal on account of economic reforms and ease of doing business, the government said on Saturday.

In 2021-22, the country received the "highest ever" foreign inflows of $83.6 billion.

"This FDI has come from 101 countries, and invested across 31 UTs and states and 57 sectors in the country. On the back of economic reforms and Ease of Doing Business in recent years, India is on track to attract $100 billion FDI in the current fiscal," the commerce and industry ministry statement said. It said to attract FDI, the government has put in place a liberal and transparent policy wherein most sectors are open to FDI under the automatic route.

The reform measures include liberalisation of guidelines and regulations, in order to cut compliance burden, bring down cost and enhance the ease of doing business, it added. FDI equity inflows in India fell by 6% to $16.6 billion during April-June period of the current fiscal. It said to address the import of low-quality and hazardous toys and to enhance domestic manufacturing of toys, several strategic interventions have been taken by the government.

E-commerce firms witness jump in festive season sales from smaller cities

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AS e-commerce companies have commenced their festive season sales for this year, they are witnessing quantum surge in sales.

E-commerce firm Amazon India on Saturday said it has recorded a two-fold jump in its customer base from tier-2 and -3 cities during the first 36 hours of its festive season sale.

Amazon claims to have recorded sale of 10 lakh unique products offered by small and medium business and startups from its platform during the first 36 hours of its festive season sale.

According to a PTI report, tier 2 and 3 cities accounted for 75% of the total customer base of the e-commerce major during its 'Great Indian Festival' sale.

The company said its Prime member sign ups grew 1.9 times than last year and 68% of the total new sign ups were from tier 2 and 3 cities. Amazon charges a fee from Prime users for special services but sign-ups comprises both paid and non-paid users.

Softbank-backed e-commerce firm Meesho also registered nearly 80% a jump in business with close to 87.6 lakh orders on Friday, first day of its five-day festive season sale. Tier 2, 3 and 4 cities accounted for nearly 85% of orders on day one, the company said in a statement.

The company said it has received orders from deep corners of the country such as Jamnagar, Alappuzha, Chhindwara, Davengere, Hassan, Gopalganj, Guwahati, Siwan, Thanjavur and Ambikapur.

According to the company, fashion, beauty & personal care, home & kitchen, and electronic accessories were the top-selling categories on day one, while consumers bought everything from sarees to analog watches, jewellery sets, mobile cases and covers, bluetooth headphones, choppers and peelers in record volumes to fulfil their festive shopping aspirations.

"With around 85% of orders and nearly 75% of sellers coming from Tier 2 and beyond cities, we are humbled to have created a far-reaching impact in the deepest corners of the country."

Meanwhile, Flipkart on Friday said The Big Billion Days (TBBD) saw the highest number of concurrent users on the app (1.6 million per second). It said categories like laptops, smart watches, TrueWireless witnessed the highest demand. The firm said its easy payment options, Flipkart Pay Later EMI sees 12x increase in adoption. Its first-day festive sales trends indicated a healthy rise in transactions. Flipkart Gift Cards witnessed growth in on-platform sales and redemption. The makeup and fragrance category also saw high traction among consumers with Kajal being the most in-demand product – one Kajal being sold every second, the company said.

As many as 11 lakh businesses including Shopsy are participating in the Big Billion Days this year.

Business & Beyond

GRSE awarded 'Rajbhasa Kirti Puraskar' for 2021-22

Surat/Kolkata: Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited, Kolkata, has been awarded prestigious 'RAJBHASHA KIRTI PURASKAR' by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, for best implementation of Official Language under public sector undertakings in Region 'C' for the year 2021-22.

New chief public relations officer of South Eastern Railway

Kolkata: Shri Aditya Kumar Chaudhary has taken over the charge of Chief Public Relations Officer (CPRO), South Eastern Railway today (19-9-2022). Prior to this, Shri Chaudhary was Senior Divisional Operations Manager, Ranchi.

Maha Metro MD Brijesh Dixit conferred Lifetime Achievement Award

NAGPUR: Maha Metro MD Dr Brijesh Dixit was conferred on Special Lifetime Achievement Award by Engineers' Forum, here. The award was presented at an event organised on the occasion of Engineers' Day and held at Vanamati Hall. Dr Dixit was selected for this award for his contribution in the field of infrastructure and engineering.

Western Railway launches CSR project for shoeshiners

In a unique CSR initiative, Western Railway in association with TSL (The Social Lab), a CSR consultancy firm & sponsor M/s Metro Shoes launched project "EkKadamAage" at Rail Nikunj, Mumbai Central on 20th September, 2022. The project is a one-of-a-kind initiative, dedicated to bettering the livelihoods of 1000 shoeshiners who work day in and out at railway stations across Western & Central Railway.

AIIMS Nagpur celebrates its 4th Foundation Day

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) celebrated its 4th Foundation Day on 19th September 2022. The event was graced by Hon'ble Shri Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of Road, Transport and Highways of India and Shipping, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, GOI as Chief guest along with Professor, P.K Dave, President, AIIMS Nagpur as Guest of honour.

Focus on bowlers as India look to seal series

India will be hoping their key bowlers, **Harshal Patel** and Yuzvendra Chahal, are back to their best when the hosts take on Australia in the series-deciding third T20I in Hyderabad on Sunday. India were able to plug the gaps in Nagpur to level the series with a win in the eight-over-a-side contest. But they will need their bowlers, especially Harshal and Chahal, to overcome their struggles. **Live on Star Sports Network @ 7PM**

With friends and family by his side, Federer bids adieu to the world of professional tennis. By the time he had completed his match with Nadal, there was a not a dry eye in the house

...THE FINAL FAREWELL

Members of Team Europe (left) and Team World lift Roger Federer following his doubles match with Rafael Nadal at the O2 Arena on Friday night | AP

HOWARD FENDRICH @London

THIS day, this match, had to come, of course, for Roger Federer, and for tennis, just as it inevitably must for every athlete in every sport. Federer bid adieu with one last contest before he heads into retirement at age 41 after a superlative career that spanned nearly a quarter-century and included 20 Grand Slam titles. He wrapped up his days as a professional player with a loss in doubles alongside his longtime rival Rafael Nadal for Team Europe in the Laver Cup against Frances Tiafoe and Jack Sock of Team World.

The truth is that the victors, the statistics and the score (OK, for the record it was 4-6, 7-6 (2), 11-9) did not matter, and were all so entirely beside the point. The occasion was, after all, about the farewell itself. Or, better, the farewells, plural: Federer's to tennis, to the fans, to his competitors and colleagues. And, naturally, each of those entities' farewells to Federer.

"It's been a perfect journey," Federer said. "I would do it all over again."

When the match and, with it, his time in professional tennis ended, Federer hugged Nadal, then Tiafoe and Sock. And then Federer began crying. There were plenty of tears; Nadal wiped his own away, too. "When Roger leaves the tour, an important part of my life is leaving, too," said Nadal.

As cascades of clapping and yells of affection came from the stands, Federer put his hands on his hips, his chest heaving. Then he mouthed, "Thank you," while applauding right back toward the spectators who had chanted, "Let's go, Roger! Let's go!" during the concluding moments of a match that lasted more than two hours and ended at about 12:30 a.m.

His wife, Mirka, their four children — twin girls and twin boys — and Federer's parents joined him on the court afterward for embraces and, yes, more bawling. Members of both teams joined together to hoist Federer up in the air.

"It's been a wonderful day. I told the guys I'm happy; I'm not sad," Federer said. "I enjoyed tying my shoes one more time. Everything was the last time."

He had said he wanted this to feel more like a party than a funeral, and the crowd obliged, rising for a loud and lengthy standing ovation when Federer and Nadal — each wearing a white bandanna, blue shirt and white shorts — emerged together from a tunnel leading out to the black court for the last match on Day 1 at the O2 Arena. They remained on their feet for nearly 10 minutes, through the pre-match warmup, holding aloft phone cameras.

At the height of his powers, Federer appeared in a record 10 consecutive Major finals, winning eight, from 2005-07.

More than those numbers, folks will remember the forehand, the one-handed backhand, the effective serve and the willingness to reinvent aspects of his game and — the part of which he's proudest — the longevity. Beyond the elegance and effectiveness while wielding a racket, Federer's persona made him an ambassador for tennis, someone whose immense popularity helped attract fans. "This is not the end-end, you know. Life goes on. I'm healthy, I'm happy, everything's great," Federer said, "and this is just a moment in time."

—AP

I'm happy, I'm not sad. It feels great to be here and I enjoyed tying my shoes one more time. Everything was the last time. The match was great, I couldn't be happier. It's been wonderful.

I didn't feel the stress so much even though I thought maybe something was going to go, like a calf, but the match was great.

Playing with Rafa and having all the greats here, all the legends, thank you.

— A selection of Roger Federer's quotes from the post-match interview

The eight major encounters that helped define his career

It's a journey that began in Basel in the late Summer of 1997. Almost 25 years later, the Roger Federer song played its final note at the O2 Arena in London on Friday. In a career that spanned over 1500 matches, it's difficult to pick out the encounters that helped define his aura, enhance his legend and showcase his vulnerability. Here's a selection of eight Slam matches over the last two decades that had a small role.

PETE SAMPRAS | WIMBLEDON 2001 | R16 | 7-6 (7), 5-7, 6-4, 6-7 (2), 7-5 (W)
The coronation would come two years later but this was the match that confirmed the Swiss' ascendance. Nobody had beaten the American great in this most hallowed of grounds since 1996 but the 19-year-old done exactly that. A sign of things to come, a changing of guard.

MARK PHILIPPOUSSIS | WIMBLEDON 2003 | FINAL | 7-6 (5), 6-2, 7-6 (3) (W)
The first of eight, the first of 20. The scoreline does show two tie-breaks but the Swiss was always in control of the situation. During this run, he also established a sort of dominance over Andy Roddick. He beat him at Wimbledon four times, including in that legendary 16-14 fifth-set in 2009.

LLEYTON HEWITT | US OPEN 2004 | FINAL | 6-0, 7-6 (3), 6-0 (W)
Before Federer's famed rivalry with Rafa Nadal and Novak Djokovic began, there was one with the Australian. And for much of the first-half, Hewitt had the upper hand (7-2 before this match). At the final, he handed Hewitt a beatdown for the ages. He was now the top dog. He won the next four US Open's as well.

FERNANDO GONZALEZ | AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2007 | FINAL | 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-4 (W)
The final itself was routine, the Swiss, at his pristine best, didn't give the Chilean a sniff. But this was really Federer at his regal, artistic best. This was his ninth Major out of 13 since the beginning of 2004. Senior pros like Andre Agassi and Sampras had quit. Federer was the establishment.

RAFAEL NADAL | WIMBLEDON 2008 | FINAL | 4-6, 4-6, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (8), 7-9 (L)
The one that helped cement not just the rivalry but its friendly nature off the court. The theatre, artistry and the imagination of both players were off the charts before the Spaniard conquered the grass in a match that has already gone down in history as one of the greatest.

ROBIN SODERLING | FRENCH OPEN 2009 | FINAL | 6-1, 7-6 (1), 6-4 (W)
When Sampras retired with 14 Majors, it was considered a 'safe' record. Less than a decade later, Federer reached that mark by completing a career Grand Slam. It elevated his legacy and the first noises of GOAT (even if the acronym wasn't part of tennis parlance then) entered the mainstream.

RAFAEL NADAL | AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2017 | FINAL | 6-4, 3-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3 (W)
He entered as 17th seed and won amid gentle calls of questioning whether he retained that same aura. He had also finally conquered his greatest rival and best friend. Nadal's spin-heavy play had finally been neutralised. Record over first 33 matches: 23-10 Nadal. Record over next seven including this final: 6-1 Federer.

NOVAK DJOKOVIC | WIMBLEDON 2019 | FINAL | 6-7 (5), 6-1, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 12-13 (L)
The match he will continue to think about in retirement. Had match points on his serve but let it slip. In the grand scheme of things, the rivalry flew under the radar at times, strange considering a Federer loss in Melbourne in 2008 signposted the arrival of the Serbian to the wider tennis community.

ON EMOTIONAL DAY, JHULAN GETS IDEAL SEND-OFF

GOMESH S @Coimbatore

FOR *Jhulu Di*. That's what India vice-captain Smriti Mandhana had said after her player of the match effort in the first ODI. Since then, this Indian team had made it their mission to such an extent that when they got to Jhulan Goswami's final international game at Lord's on Saturday, they had already won the series. Harmanpreet Kaur, who made her debut under Jhulan's captaincy 13 years ago, was in tears as she made way for the veteran to lead India at the toss. For Jhulan, nothing mattered more than they were there having taken the 2-0 lead. She thanked the state and national boards, family, coaches and teammates as England won the toss and opted to bowl.

At the centre of the venue where she was left heartbroken having fallen short of her World Cup dream in 2017, Jhulan was standing tall, with her eternal beaming smile, posing for pictures, soaking it all in like a young kid who fell in love with cricket for the very first time. The pride was evident.

But as the action unfolded, the Indian batting crumbled, going down to 29/4. Deepti Sharma, first with Smriti Mandhana (50) and then with the lower-order, tried to revive the innings. As Jhulan walked in at No 9, England gave her a guard of honour and the 39-year-old, seemingly filled with happiness for a brief moment, acknowledged the gesture with a sheepish smile. But when she got out for a first-ball duck to 17-year-old Freya Kemp, born three years after her debut, the emotions were the complete opposite. In the end, Deepti's unbeaten 68 took India to 169.

When the Indian team took the field, as expected, they gave her their guard of honour. Except this was even more special. They kept shuffling to keep the guard going till Jhulan got near her bowling mark. The last Indian cricketer to receive such an honour was Sachin Tendulkar. As Jhulan kept gesturing towards every teammate of hers, the entire group felt like a bundle of joy. They were honouring the hero they had looked up to as a kid, the wonder woman they got the privilege of playing alongside and learning from. Above all, they were celebrating their Jhulu di.

They still had a job to do. Jhulan, herself, did. Chasing a paltry total, England started off well but Renuka Thakur broke the shackles, picking two quick wickets. Jhulan joined in as the hosts went from 27/0 to 43/4. The spinners and Renuka piled on, and in no time, India were all but in reach of the victory.

As Jhulan bowled her final over in international cricket, she took her 255th ODI wicket. England were nine down. The last four balls were pure drama. Every ball was an occasion as she and India searched for that final wicket. As she completed her final delivery, the entire team came together to give her a hug, forgetting that they still had a match to win. Jhulan embraced them, reaching out to every player on the outside, trying to include them in the group hug. That summed up what the team meant to her and what she meant to them. Perhaps, it was only fitting that Deepti, who was the teary-eyed teenager in 2017, ran out Charlie Dean (47) at the non-striker's end, ensuring a 16-run win for India. A 3-0 sweep at the home of cricket, it could not have gotten any better.

For full story, visit newindianexpress.com

Brief scores: India Women 169 in 45.4 ovs (Deepti 68, Mandhana 50; Cross 4/26, Kemp 2/24, Ecclestone 2/27) **beat** England Women 153 in 43.3 ovs (Dean 47, Jones 28; Renuka 4/29, Jhulan 2/30, Rajeshwari 2/38).

Trophy in sight for West after dominating Day 4

GOMESH S @Coimbatore

WHEN West Zone started Day four of the Duleep Trophy final at the Sri Ramakrishna College grounds, Coimbatore, they had already taken the lead by over 300. South Zone had the second new ball in hand and it was a fresh day, which meant a fresh challenge. But the Hanuma Vihari-led side did not make the most of it as they went on to concede over 200 more runs in the third innings on Saturday before losing six wickets (154/6) by the end of day's play.

West Zone's Sarfaraz Khan celebrates his hundred on Saturday | EXPRESS

As West Zone inch towards the title, the biggest difference between the two sides — individual performances aside — has been the captaincy and the on-field tactics of the skippers. On Day four, Vihari used his third seamer Ravi Teja long before Basil Thampi came on, which only helped the already set batters – Yashasvi Jaiswal and Sarfaraz Khan, who went on to hit a hundred. The delay was crucial also in the sense that the tournament is played with the Kookaburra ball, which softens much sooner than the SG ball.

On the contrary, West Zone was spot on with their tactics as Ajinkya Rahane rotated the pacers, and had field placements for specific plans, which the pacers executed to perfection. Mayank Agarwal, for example, was hurried on the back foot and a leading edge was caught at mid-off. For Baba Indrajith, who scored prolifically through covers, they left the region and had a widish point, bowling the length to make him reach out and slice it to the fielder. Jaydev Unadkat, who took four wickets in the first and two in the second so far attested to it. "You need that mindset where you constantly speak to the bowlers and wicket-keeper and assess the conditions. Rahane is one of the best," he said. "I have seen in these three games that he is one of the better judges of the game, where he reads the situation really well, and full credit to him for the way he has spoken to us and led the team like a champion."

And it's not just about the handling of the pacers, even on day three, South Zone did not bring on Sai Kishore till the 17th over purely because Jaiswal, a left-hander, was batting. By the time their best bowler came on, both the openers had settled. On Saturday, after the first hour went by, South Zone bowling fell flat, waiting for the West to declare.

With 529 to chase, it was always going to be a challenge.

Brief scores: West Zone 270 & 585/4d (Yashasvi 265, Sarfaraz 127) vs South Zone 327 & 154/6 in 40 ovs (Rohan 93; Unadkat 2/26, Mulani 2/24).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Judoka to miss Worlds for Nat'l Games

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

DESPITE only two Indians making the cut on the basis of their rankings for the World Championships, one judoka will miss the event as the tournament is clashing with the 2022 Gujarat National Games. Top-100 judokas in world rankings directly qualified for the Worlds scheduled from October 6 to 13 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

Tulika Maan, the 2022 Commonwealth Games silver medallist, along with Huidrom Sunibala Devi from Manipur, secured the berths given their world rankings of 91 and 97 in their respective weight categories of +78kg and -63kg. However, the latter has to miss the international event as there is only a day gap between her bout at the National Games and Worlds.

"Sunibala's event at the Games is on October 8 while the Worlds bout is next day. She will also compete in the -70kg in team event in Gandhinagar which is on October 12. So it will not be possible for her to compete in Tashkent," L Dinit Singh, Manipur women's team coach, told this daily.

As far as Tulika is concerned, she is expected to leave for the Worlds after competing at the Games on the inaugural day, which is October 7.

Harmeet, Sutirtha win

SURAT: Gujarat's Harmeet Desai and West Bengal's Sutirtha Mukherjee clinched the men's and women's singles titles, respectively, on Saturday.

Finals: Men's singles: Harmeet Desai (Guj) bt Soumyajit Ghosh (Har) 11-8, 11-4, 11-7, 11-8; **Women's singles:** Sutirtha Mukherjee (WB) bt Sreeja Akula (Tel) 11-8, 11-7, 11-8, 12-14, 11-9; **Men's doubles:** Jeet Chandra/Ronit Bhanja (WB) bt Arjun Ghosh/Anirban Ghosh (WB) 11-4, 11-3, 11-3; **Women's doubles:** Sutirtha Mukherjee/Ayhika Mukherjee (WB) bt Yashaswini Ghorpade/Kushi V 11-8, 11-5, 13-11; **Mixed doubles:** Manush Shah/Krittwika Sinha Roy (Guj) bt FR Snehit/Sreeja Akula (Tel) 11-8, 11-5, 11-6.

EXPRESS READ

Marquez takes first pole in three years

MOTEGI: Six-time MotoGP world champ Marc Marquez grabbed pole position for the first time in three years as he defied wild weather in qualifying for the Japanese GP on Saturday. Marquez steered his Honda to leading time of 1 minute and 55.214 seconds, ahead of France's Johann Zarco, 0.208 seconds behind.

Shotgun Worlds: Gold for jr men's trap team

OSIJEK: India won a gold in the junior men's trap team event at the ISSF Shotgun World Championship, beating Italy 6-4 in the final. This was also India's first medal of the event. It was no mean feat for Shapath Bharadwaj, Shardul Vihan and Arya Vansh Tyagi as the Italians are established powerhouses in the shotgun discipline.

Italy keep hopes alive, England relegated

MILAN: Giacomo Raspadori fired Italy to a 1-0 win over England on Friday which kept alive their hopes of making the Nations League final four. Napoli striker Raspadori decided an otherwise uninspiring encounter with a superb second half strike at the San Siro to keep the European champions two points behind League A, Group 3 leaders Hungary. Roberto Mancini's side face Hungary in Budapest on Monday.

Kuldeep is more effective now than before: Bahutule

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

INDIA A coach Sairaj Bahutule is confident of his team doing well against New Zealand A in the second unofficial ODI which begins at Chepauk on Sunday. He is pleased with the overall performance of the side and in particular its bowlers. Being a bowling coach at the NCA and handling the India and India A teams, Bahutule is pleased with the current lot of spinners in the India A side.

In the first ODI against New Zealand A, the India A spinners did not have much work to do as Shardul Thakur used the conditions well to rip apart the top order of the visitors. But Bahutule believes that his team's spinners will have a role to play in the remaining games. ''Kuldeep Yadav bowled really well in the last game. It is always not about wickets. You know, he's got good control over his bowling and I think it just only got better. He has matured as a bowler over a period of time. The more he plays, the more exposure he will get. More the understanding about playing at this level he will get better,'' said Sairaj Bahtule in a chat with this daily after the India A team's practice session on Saturday.

Chinaman has been Kuldeep Yadav's stock ball but with video analysis and technology available, teams at various levels seem to have sorted him out. Many believe that he needs to do a bit more to be effective.

''He's (Kuldeep Yadav) already effective. The speeds with which he used to bowl earlier are thing of the past. The speeds have gone up now. So he is a lot more effective now than before. And then as I said earlier he has excellent control and bowls as he wishes to in any situation. He's got a lot more awareness about his own bowling. Yeah, it's a question just again, it's the question of just playing international cricket on regular basis and he will definitely do well in whatever opportunity he gets,'' opined Bahutule.

Members of India A team during a practice session at Chepauk Stadium in Chennai on Saturday | R SATISH BABU

The former Mumbai captain and India leg spinner had a word of praise for Rahul Chahar and Shahbaz Ahmed.

Bahutule did not want to reveal the playing XI for Sunday but said that A games are meant to give all the players an opportunity to play and improve their skill sets.

''Rahul Chahar has been bowling really well. Whatever the net sessions have happened, whatever the practice sessions have taken place, he has really executed his skill set very well. Just hoping that he takes his skill set into the match when he gets an opportunity and, sort of does well for himself. Shahbaz too is hard working and he is also someone who can bat too. So on the spin front, we have the variety to compliment our medium pacers,'' said Bahutule. Rajat Patidar was the top scorer for India A in the last game and had a wonderful season last year where he excelled at every level — domestic circuit and IPL. He has been playing well for India A in both the four-day games as well as the ODI's.

''I think he (Rajat Patidar) has been batting well in the red ball matches also. He did well against New Zealand A in the unofficial Tests. Now (in) white ball (against New Zealand A) also, he is very effective, and as you said he's done well in IPL too. Whatever opportunities he's got, he has performed. So yes, I just feel that you know in the coming time he will get an opportunity to play at the highest level,'' opined Bahutule

Full story: newindianexpress.com

After a two-year hiatus, Comic-Con Africa's return has been widely anticipated by cosplayers. Clad in superhero capes, colourful masks and sci-fi costumes. Many flocked to a vast expo centre near the FNB Stadium

Pope Francis, visiting Assisi, called on Saturday for "courage" in abandoning fossil fuels and lamented that older generations didn't know how to protect the planet and secure peace

EXFILE • HISTORY

Bargain hunter scores 700-year-old medieval times document

A bargain hunter who went to an estate sale in Maine to find a KitchenAid mixer, a bookshelf or vintage clothing walked away with a 700-year-old treasure

Worth $10,000

An expert on manuscripts said the document, first reported by the Maine Monitor, could be worth as much as $10,000

STUMBLING UPON A TREASURE

Instead of a kitchen appliance, Will Sideri stumbled upon a framed document hanging on a wall. It had elaborate script in Latin, along with musical notes and gold flourishes

GETTING AN EXCELLENT DEAL

A sticker said the document was *from 1285 A.D. And it was a bargain at* **$75**

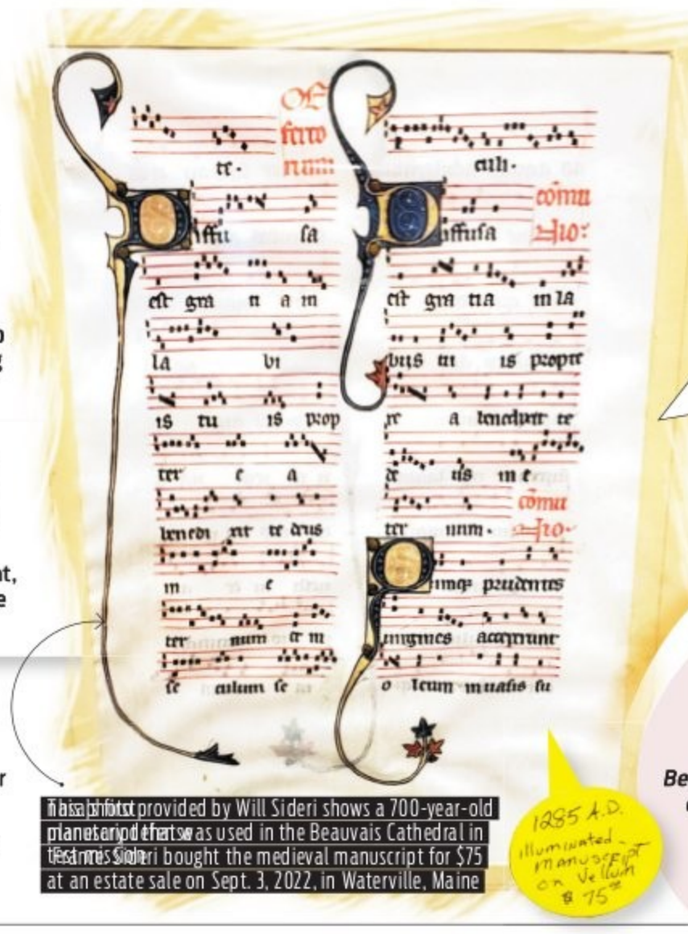
WHAT IS BEAUVAIS MISSAL?

Beauvais Missal is a 13th century manuscript which was destroyed. This book was used at the cathedral in Beauvais, France

CONFIRMING THE AUTHENTICITY

After spying the unusual manuscript, Sideri contacted his former Colby College professor, who was familiar with it because there's another page in the college collection

The professor reached out to another academic who'd researched the document. They quickly confirmed the authenticity



This photo provided by Will Sideri shows a 700-year-old manuscript that was used in the Beauvais Cathedral in France. Sideri bought the medieval manuscript for $75 at an estate sale on Sept. 3, 2022, in Waterville, Maine

OWNED BY WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

The full missal was once owned by William Randolph Hearst, the newspaper publisher, before being sold in the 1940s and, much to the consternation of today's academics, was divvied up into individual pages, she said

A COMMON PRACTICE

The practice was common in the early 20th century. "Thousands of unique manuscripts were destroyed and scattered this way," Davis said

PART OF A PRAYER BOOK

The parchment was part of a prayer book and priests' liturgy, said Lisa Fagin Davis, executive director of the Medieval Academy of America and a professor of manuscript studies at Simmons University in Boston

309 PAGES

RESEARCHING THE BEAUVAIS MISSAL

Davis has painstakingly researched The Beauvais Missal, and has tracked down more than 100 individual pages across the country. All told, the missal numbered ***309 pages in its original form***

PARTICULAR INTEREST

The page is of particular interest to scholars. It's a treasure both because of its age and condition, which is far better than the other page in the Colby collection, said Megan Cook, Sideri's former professor, who teaches medieval literature at Colby

THE BEAUVAIS MISSAL

Academics confirmed the parchment was from The Beauvais Missal, used in the ***Beauvais Cathedral in France, and dated to the late 13th century***

It was used about 700 years ago in Roman Catholic worship, they said

White House rebukes World Bank chief in climate row

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WASHINGTON: The White House on Friday rebuked the head of the World Bank David Malpass, who is battling charges of climate denial for dodging questions on the role of man-made emissions in global warming.

Under mounting fire, Malpass has rejected suggestions he might quit over the uproar —and has moved to clarify his position several times in recent days.

"Look, it's clear that greenhouse gas emissions from human activity are adding to, are causing climate change," he told *Politico* on Friday, affirming that none of the bank's member countries had asked him to leave and that he was "not resigning."

"The task for us, for the world, is to pull together the projects and the funding that actually has an impact," he said.

Malpass is a veteran of Republican US administrations and was tapped to lead the bank in 2019 by then-president Donald Trump, who famously and repeatedly denied the science behind climate change.

Climate activists have previously called for Malpass to be removed for what they say is an inadequate approach to the climate crisis—but the chorus grew suddenly louder after his appearance at a *New York Times*-organised conference this week.

David Malpass, president of the World Bank Group

Asked on stage to respond to a claim by former US vice president Al Gore that he was a climate denier, Malpass declined multiple times to say whether he believed man-made emissions were warming the planet —responding, "I'm not a scientist."

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We condemn the words of the president," Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre told a White House briefing in response to the incident. "We expect the World Bank to be a global leader" on the climate crisis response, she said, adding that the US Treasury Department "has and will continue to make that expectation clear to the World Bank leadership."

Malpass has been seeking to course-correct since the row erupted earlier this week, and in an interview with *CNN* on Thursday he clearly acknowledged that climate-warming emissions were "coming from manmade sources, including fossil fuels, methane, agricultural uses and industrial uses." "I'm not a denier," he told the network, saying his message had been "tangled" and he was "not always good at conveying" what he means.

But the uproar shows little sign of dying down, with the Union of Concerned Scientists the latest group to call for him to be "replaced immediately."

Pressed on whether President Joe Biden still has confidence in Malpass and media reports that some US officials are seeking his removal, Jean-Pierre said: "Removing him requires a majority of shareholders, so that's something to keep in mind."

"The US believes the World Bank must be a full partner in delivering on the aggressive climate agenda, poverty reduction and sustainability development. Again, Treasury will hold Malpass accountable to this position and support the many staff working to fight climate change."

Malpass's initial nomination faced intense criticism but since taking the role he has been a staunch supporter of aid and debt relief for the poorest nations, in addition to consistently noting the dangers from climate change.

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